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POETRY.

The Welcome Back.

Sweet is the hour that brings us home,
Where all will spring to meet us,
Where hands are striving as we come
To be the first to greet us.
When the world has spent its frowns and wrath
And care been sorely pressing,
'Tis sweet to turn from our roving path
And find a fireside blessing.
Ah, joyfully dear is the homeward track,
If we are but sure of a welcome back!

What do we reck on a dreary way,
Though lonely and benighted,
If we know there are lips to chide our stay
And eyes that will beam love-lighted?
What is the worth of your diamond ray
To the glance that flashes pleasure—
When the words that welcome back betray
We form a heart's chief treasure?
Oh, joyfully dear is our homeward track,
If we are but sure of a welcome back?

["DEAR MR. HODGSON:—The enclosed was sent to the I. M. C., by an absent member, Miss Loo France, who was a pupil here for two or three years. Though English to the core, Miss F. is, as you see, a warm admirer of American methods of caring for the afflicted, and she gives such a graphic account of the difficulties she encountered in securing the admission of a deaf and dumb child to one of the English schools, that the girls think they ought to share it with the readers of the JOURNAL.—M. S. F., *Pres. I. M. C.*"]

MY LITTLE GIRL.

"And love and glory that may raise
This soul to God in after days;"

It was nearly a year ago. I was coming home from a walk with the servant. We had been through one of the pretty vales in Richmond Park, across Ham Common, through the village that might lay hundreds of miles from the Metropolis, it is so peaceful, down the Richmond Road into Kingston, home. Our servant was a native of Ham, and seemed to be on speaking or bowing acquaintance with all the inhabitants. It was towards dusk, the lamp lighter was coming along lighting the lamps, and as he passed us he gave Emmie such a pleasant nod of recognition, that his face, as the phrase goes, was "beaming all over." I became curious on seeing Emmie's face lighten up, too. "Who is he," I asked. "He is deaf and dumb; he lives at the Inn at the corner of the Common," began Emmie, almost breathless with her desire to inform me of the lad's history. "Deaf and dumb," I exclaimed; "wait until we get home, then I should like to hear all you know about him." I was obliged to put a restraint upon my curiosity for a few moments, as the girl had a way of stopping in the road when she spoke to me. I well knew there would be endless questions on my part, for did I not think I was the only poor deaf mortal about here, and yet there had been another individual living within a mile of me and I had only just then found it out.

These are the facts about the lad related by Emmie, and it was these facts that led me to search for my little girl. Question her how I would I could only get the idea that the lad vegetated in the village of Ham, that he was an orphan and taken by the innkeeper and his wife out of charity, and as he grew older he became capable of serving them as potman; that he was very quick at understanding what was said to him; what is more, he did all he was told; that he was a sort of butt for the village boys. One Guy Fawkes night they had gone so far as to set fire to him as a Guy, but he was "soon put out," as the girl expressed it; and that he received from the Parish each week, two shillings and a quartern loaf.

At the time, remember, I knew nothing of any provision whatever by the Local Authorities for our destitue deaf children; and you know I am an alien in your world. I think, too, I must have imbued one of your chief notions concerning us, that the deaf-muts of America are much better cared for than ours. To say the least, this lad might have had a bright career, for I hold that afflicted children should be more carefully and highly trained than the hearing ones in the same circumstances,—they need it as a weapon to fight their battle of life, yet I could do nothing to help this lad. I could not recommend him to any one who would take an interest in him—I mean, to help him intellectually. I knew no one here interested in the deaf. You, who are surrounded by benevolent people, interested in all your thoughts, can have no conception of the infference of "outsiders."

I believe Emmie's account of the lad to be reliable. I never verified the facts, because there was no way in which I could improve his condition. Had he not enough to eat, clothes to wear, a roof over his head, and two shilling a week! I wondered if there were any more deaf-mutes about his neighborhood. There might be some "little ones" with the same brilliant prospects, two shillings a week, a quartern loaf, and a chance of being burned as a Guy. I would see if I could find out. I had a lady friend living close by, who did some district visiting. I asked her if she knew of any poor deaf children about here. "Yes, there is a little girl; I think she runs the streets," she answered. I asked her to make enquiries, and tell the child's mother that if she liked I would try and teach the little one; but I should like to hear a little about her, then we could make the arrangements. A week, two weeks passed, before my friend went in search of this little waif. Every time I saw her I asked: "Have you been!" When, close upon a month, she came in one day and said she had seen my little girl. The little one had been attending the Elementary School here for two years, where she had learned nothing. Her mother would gladly send her to me. I made arrangements for her to come the following Monday, November 19th.

The pater is not so enthusiastic as I about the deaf. He was a little bit scandalized when he heard what I had done. He feared lest my pupil should bring some diseases into the house. He argued: She will be so dirty, and then she has been going to school for two years and not learned anything, do you suppose you will be able to teach her? I have seen her fighting the other children, I know the child. I was amused at finding her out in spite of his secrecy; he knew if I heard I should be after her. I soon overruled his objections. A little soap would remove the dirt; in all probability, the little one had to use her "fists" in self-defence; as to her learning with hearing children, it was next to impossible. At any rate, I would try for a month. If, in that time, I could not make any advance with her, I would give it up.

The attic was set apart for our lesson room. On the Monday, my friend went to fetch Lottie to show her the way. It was the first time I had seen her—such a dear little mite, such a wan little face, and so thinly and poorly clad. I was pleased to see there had been an attempt to freshen her up, for she had on her "Sunday clothes." She was a little timid at first, but we soon became friends. The first day we mastered reading and saying the manual alphabet as far as "d." It was quite a novel idea to her, and at once awakened her interest. To get her to write was quite another matter, she had been allowed to scribble, and so thought little or nothing of my beautiful pot-hooks and hangers. I always had to be very firm with her over her writing.

The second morniug she came, she couldn't open the gate, so she ran all the way home to fetch some one to do it for her. She came from 10 until 12. She was always very punctual. She quite won the mother's heart, and from the second day we were allowed to do our lessons in the dining room. It was quite a triumph. In three weeks she could read and say the alphabet by heart. I had her come to show the Pater. We had smartened her up, made her a warm dress, and my friends' sister gave her a hat and jacket. The Pater owned then that much might be done for her. All was going on nicely, the little one was so intelligent that my task was delightful, but mother's health had been failing her for some time. At Christmas she was obliged to keep her room, which she never left until her death in June. There was no help for it, the little one had to go. It seemed horrible to me that she should go back to her old ways. What a dark prospect for her, and she was so bright. I went and asked her mother's consent to let me try and get her into a school. I had made up my mind to write to Dr. Stainer. I pictured the Principals of all such schools kindly and courteous as Dr. Peet. I wrote describing the child and her neglect, telling him I thought the state ought to provide for its afflicted ones, in such poverty. Dr. Stainer replied that from my description he thought the child would be eligible for one of his "homes," the Poor Law Guardian (?) had full power to act, either to pay the whole or half the amount required (seven shillings a week), without the parents being paupers and the best thing I could do was to take her the following Monday to Pentonville when he could examine her. To say that my astonishment was great, hardly expresses it. It was culpable neglect. We heard afterwards (I could not believe my ears) that the guardians were then paying for her schooling here. It cost them infinitely less. Economy would have been their plea, I suppose.

On the Monday my friend and I took Lottie to Pentonville Road. We were admitted by a man. We told him we wished to see Dr. Stainer. He called the matron, who I must say did not receive us very graciously. "Is she your girl?" she asked my friend. "No." "Is she her?" pointing to me. "No." After eyeing us from top to toe, she reluctantly ushered us into the dining-room. In about a quarter of an hour Dr. Stainer appeared—a portly man about 65, with glossy black hair and clean shaven face. He asked what he could do for me, what advice I wanted. I told him I wanted to get Lottie into a school; her mother was too poor to send her, and besides very ill at the time. I thought it a shame that she should be allowed to grow up in ignorance, but it was impossible for me to continue teaching her on account of my mother's illness. I was greatly disappointed when he told me he was restricted to the Oral system. True, I am not competent to judge of the different systems, but it seems to me to be such an artificial method, so painfully slow and uninteresting to the learner. He said the best thing we could do was to persuade the sick mother to go into the Infirmary, then the guardians would be compelled to provide for the child. I was getting dismayed. If that was the alternative, I felt my little one had very little chance, for I know what a horror the poor have of the workhouse. At that moment the matron came in and announced the "Guardians from Holborn." I think they came in a body "to see for themselves," as the hall looked crowded with men. Dr. Stainer hastily shook hands with us, put on his hat, and we saw him no more. I wanted to see the schools too. I felt I should like to see my little girl's future teacher, to enlist her sympathy on the little one's behalf. There was the matron standing at the door. "Can we see any of the children?" I asked. "No; they are just going in to dinner." "Can you make them understand what you say to them?" "No." I gave it up, and suggested to my friend we might as well go.

On our road home, we agreed not to speak to the mother about going into the Infirmary. We feared we should not get anything if we asked too much; but surely the guardians ought to look about them more, and not need so much arousing. We heard through Lottie's mother that the curate was coming to call upon me, so we went to him instead of the Vicar, who is a Guardian, and it turned out that he also had a deaf child in whom he was interested, and that he had been trying for some time to hear of some school for her, only he did not know "how to set about it." Well, neither did I know of any body till I saw Dr. Stainer's name in an evening paper and wrote to him. My example must have emboldened him, for he wrote to the Home Secretary in behalf of a blind boy in whom he was interested, and his bravery has been rewarded, as he told us about two months ago he had got him into a school at Southsea, where he will remain until he is 21. I left Dr. Stainer's letter and form of admittance with the curate, and he promised to go and see the Guardians for us. He wished to get his girl in as well. The mothers would have to appear before the Board to state their cases, that was the only formality to be gone through, and unluckily the Guardians knew of something against the parents of each child. That was a cruel way to overlook the children. Who were they, that they should judge that the sins of the parents should be visited on the children? I was glad, indeed, when I heard they had pronounced them (with considerable magnanimity) both to be deserving cases, and granted the money. Then came a hitch—the clothes. Dr. Stainer had given us a list of the things required, and without which they couldn't be admitted. We agreed to wait until the next Board meeting, when the zealous curate said he would ask for a grant of money to provide the outfit. We waited a fortnight. Not a penny would they give, "their friends must find them." Ridiculous; their friends were as poor as they. I wrote to *Truth* about their paltryness, and *Truth* took up the cudgels for us for a second. The curate gave thirty shillings, we quickly raised the rest and found willing hands to help make the things. I asked our doctor to examine the children, and give certificates of their health, which he readily did.

On the 25th of February, my friend took the little ones to school. I could not leave my mother.

About seven weeks, ago the Pater took me to see Lottie. She has grown so fat, her face is like a full moon. The supervisor (I presume) told me she was very good. As to her progress, I can say nothing, as I was with her too short a time. The little one was not able to recall me. Soon I hope to go and see her again. Both the children were the same age when they entered, eight years old, so that they have seven years and a half before them now, time enough for them to learn a little, if not much. Whether I shall ever get within the portals of the schools to look around, I dare not say. They seem to be so guarded, that wayfarers like myself dare hardly intrude. And all this was brought about by that evening walk I took, nearly a year ago.

October 16, 1889.

The Curse of the City.

When we behold one of our great cities, with its thousand golden domes and spires blazing in the sun, it seems to be scarcely less than a miracle that such a glory should have risen from the depths of an American wilderness. Then perhaps we are reminded that God made the country and man made the town. But we should not forget that in making the great town man received some valuable assistance from the devil. The claim of Satan on the mountain that he owned the gorgeous palaces below him was not altogether pretended, for he had a mechanic's lien on every one of them.

Railroads, which claim to be the greatest agents of modern civilization, are but the iron tentacles of a monster octopus. As they reach out further and further they seize in their remorseless grasp all the treasures of the country, and bear them back to the iron maw of the city, which receives and holds everything digestible and indigestible under the sun.

Hence the great cities are increasing at an accelerated rate of speed, in wealth, in population and in poverty, while the country is decreasing in like manner in everything except poverty, which always grows without an effort.

The sound of the saw and the hammer is seldom heard in our villages, but the clang and clatter of building in the city goes on forever.

The farm and the village yield their annual surplus to build and make the granite monuments, the stately edifices drives and parks of the city, and yet cannot scrape enough together to keep in repair the country roads.

And the main question with the youth of the rural districts is, how they shall escape the solitude of country life and flee to Babylon. They have had enough of the scent of the new mown hay, enough of the odorous primrose by the river's brim; they long for the aroma of stale beer, the attar of the city sewer.

Vain the admonition that vice and immorality are spreading their nets for them in the city, and may gather them as spiders gathers flies. Tell them of plague spots where hunger and want and crime continually abide and they reply that when they get to town they mean to go "slumming." And while the old mother is singing "Where is my wandering boy tonight?" the wandering boy slides down the green mountain side and takes the train for Octopus. He leaves the old father where Sambo was left when his master died, "hilling up corn."

And so it has become the glory and the shame of America that while we have the goodliest land upon which the sun ever shone, we are proud of nothing and boast of nothing but our great cities and the big millionaires who own them. And though class legislation and high tariff are destroying the agricultural portions of the country, we must go on with them lest the mills and factories of our cities shut down and our millionaires leaves us and hie to Europe.

Also, it would seem that a code of morals that suits the country will not do for the city. We are told that the sale of intoxicating drinks is wicked and immoral in the small towns, but that it would be wrong to close the beer mills and dram shops in the city, for it would ruin the city's business. This idiotic gabble is indulged in by men who claim to have sense. The result is, that trade is continually pouring into the city and that country merchants are continually dangling on the ragged edge of bankruptcy. A private citizen can buy an article in the city as cheap as the country merchant can buy it at wholsale, and it will not be a thousand years before we must all buy in the city if we buy at all. This is why town property outside of the cities is going down in price and farm lands cannot be sold at all. Railroads do not benefit the village except to afford the villager an opportunity to get away from his home, and once away he would sooner have an eye-tooth pulled than come back to it. We are under the spell—the curse of the city. Let us all see Naples and then die.—*Wetzel Democrat.*

IOWA ITEMS.

During the week ending November 2d, the Grand Army of the Republic gave a grand charity fair at the Le Grande Rink in the city, to raise funds for the benefit of the poor widows and orphans of the veterans who fought the battles of the Union. This fair was a glorious success, as it deserved to be. The deaf-mutes of Dubuque showed their patriotism by attending this fair several times during the week and helping to swell their treasury. The Governor's guards, one of the best drilled companies in this State, gave a fine drill in the spacious hall, which was applauded by all, and even by old veterans. On another occasion, the "Butterfly Brigade," composed entirely of young girls, gave a fine drill that was loudly applauded and encored, so they had to go over it a second time. They were dressed in silk tights trimmed down the legs with gold braid, and they wore gold braided jackets. Their marching and various manœuvres were graceful and beautiful. After the drill was over, they mingled with the crowd like boys. Parents of several of the mutes were present, and assisted in the work. The hall was tastefully decorated with flags, bunting and pictures of battles. Relics of the war were exhibited, such as muskets, pistols, sabres, broken swords, old flags, cannon balls, etc., and one long post that was used in the stockade of the horrible prison of Andersonville, S. C., was an exhibition. The hall below and the galleries above were thronged with people. Refreshments, such as oysters, ice-cream, coffee, bread, cakes, etc., were served. One of the old artillery, cannon and caisson, all mounted was also on exhibition at the door with the years "1861–65" painted on it. All this reminded us of the war times.

The election in the State of Iowa is over, and the Republican Party is still in power. The Republican Legislature will re-elect Hon. W. B. Allison to the United States Senate. He is a great friend of deaf-mute education, and a friend of the National Deaf-Mute College. The great fight in the State was the saloon and prohibition. The saloon element is ingloriously defeated, and the home is protected. There are only two deaf-mute voters among the forty that live here, and both voted the Republican ticket.

Mr. Lovett, father of one of our pupils, started for the pineries of Minnesota a week ago, where he will help get out logs this winter, which will be floated down the Mississippi River next Spring for the various mills along the river.

Miss Rubeck, a deaf woman, who is about forty-two years old, lives in blessed ignorance, next door to a well-educated deaf-mute. She does routine work well enough, and helps her aged mother in the little garden. Beyond this little garden she is never permitted to go, and both mother and daughter live alone. Both are equally ignorant about school learning. It is a pity the mute was not taken to school long ago.

Miss Regina Kruse is another uneducated deaf-mute. She had one or two years' schooling at the St. Francis School near Milwaukee, Wis., long ago, but all of what little she learned is forgotten. She is twenty-five years old, yet she could learn something, if she had any inclination to do so. Her parents are dead, and she lives in this city with a married sister, and sometimes on her little farm, over in Wisconsin, given to her by her parents.

Miss Mary Strotz is still another uneducated mute, twenty-eight years old. She was born and raised in this city. She lost her hearing when she was six years old. She can read the lips at home, but otherwise she is ignorant of reading and writing. We are making efforts to have these deaf women learn a little, if possible, though it is too late to educate them thoroughly.

Mr. J. J. Middleton, who lives in Iowa City, Ia., is an intelligent mute. He was the first pupil admitted into the Iowa School for the Deaf and Dumb. He also attended the Ohio Institution during the superintendency of the late Rev. C. Stone. When Mr. Stone was called to the superintendency of the American Asylum at Hartford, Conn., Mr. Middleton was appointed a teacher there, where he remained for three or four years. He was compelled to resign on account of poor health, and return to his old home in Iowa. He was partly instrumental in having Prof. Benjamin Talbot chosen as superintendent of the Iowa Institution. His acquaintance with Prof. Talbot was formed at the Ohio Institution. We had a very pleasant time with Mr. Middleton on our visit there, last summer. He is now employed in taking care of a herd of Jersey cows. His wife is not deaf, and both carry on conversation by the lips. They have two nice children, both boys.

Mrs. Nicholas P. Kremer, a mute of Dyersville, this county, is married to a hearing lady, and has a child. He is a laborer, and does any kind of work.

M. Joseph White also lives there, and is a harness maker.

Prof. R. G. Ferguson, who used to teach deaf-mutes at Baton Rouge, La., and at Jackson, Miss., was in our city lately, canvassing for the directory publishers of Springfield, Ill. He seemed to be a pleasant gentleman, and related to us some funny incidents of the late war, and how he went up a tree, when a boy, to see the fight at a distance.

Miss Matilda Hammel, a sister of Miss Sarah Hammel, was married to Mr. W. H. Nelson on the 4th of September, and went to housekeeping immediately.

Miss Clara Kruse, a mute lady of this city, about nineteen years old, has finished her education partly in the fifth ward school. She is able to read the lips and carry on conversation nearly as well as a hearing person. She never attended a school for the deaf.

Christopher Boehm, a German mute, was in our city recently, and made himself pretty familiar with our mutes by the stories, real or unreal, he told of his travels and adventures in Germany and in this country, out West, down in Texas and up in St. Paul, Minn. He left on foot for Colorado, where, he said, he was going to dig gold. He spoke of several mutes out there, such as Joe Conover, 346 Union Street, Denver; James Headley, 417 Troy Street, Denver, and William Nobisko, 362 Main Street, Denver. He also spoke of mutes meeting in Denver, and that they generally met at the Mountain House, No. 481 Broadway Street, kept by Mr. John E. Phal. They generally brought in gold dust from their diggings, and displayed it, and talked and bragged of their various adventures.

A fable is a story in which animals or other objects are supposed to talk, although they never do. The moral of a fable is the instruction to be drawn from it. Now Chox Tozz, all the brag is not in Kansas. Kansas is not the United States. There are forty states in the Union, including the twin Dakotas, besides other territories, so Kansas is only less than one-fortieth part of the country. Kansas is only a part of the whole, and she should have more regard for those ahead of her in age, experiences, size, population and wealth.

NAPOLEON.

DUBUQUE, IA., Nov. 5, '89.

Fanwood Club's Champions.

EDITOR JOURNAL:—The article in last week's JOURNAL regarding the tug-of-war contest between the pupils of the Institution team and the Fanwood Club team, is written, we presume, as a sort of consolation sauce for the defeated team. This may be all very well if it is so, but the writer of that article must not forget that the victorious team is entitled to all credit they so fairly won in the contest. We object to his taking all our glory by asserting that we had every advantage in the contest, whereas the facts are simply the contrary. Captain Slattery, of the Silentia team, assured us before the contest that he and his team had been training for the event for some time, and that the team was in such a condition as to render defeat impossible. He went so far as to advise Captain Kircher, of our team, to train a little and get himself and team in condition. Captain Kircher replied that he had no faith in training, and did not have any either. As to our slight overweight, that did not amount to anything against a well-trained team like Slattery's. And we should have proved easy victims to such a team, but on the contrary we found it almost nothing to rope in the would-be victors. The Fanwood Club team understand that Captain Slattery attributes his defeat to our slight overweight, and to the throwing out of Strope, who made the team heavier than ours. Now, as we understand that the challenge for the Deaf-Mute Championship will be returned to us soon, "we, with much reluctance," will allow Slattery to have Strope on his team, throwing out any other man he may choose, even if his team weighs more than ours by not over ten to twenty pounds. And we suggest that he make the stakes from $20 to $50 a side, and in event of victory he will certainly make a glorious name for himself and team, and regain the laurels he lost on Election Day.

Very respectfully,
HENRY KIRCHER, *Captain.*
LOUIS MORRIS, *Secretary.*

Thanksgiving Proclamations.

BY THE PRESIDENT.

A highly favored people, mindful of their dependence on the bounty of divine Providence, should seek fitting occasion to testify gratitude and ascribe praise to him who is the author of their many blessings.

It behooves us, then, to look back with thankful hearts over the past year and bless God for his infinite mercy in vouchsafing to our land enduring peace; to our people, freedom from pestilence and famine; to our husbandmen, abundant harvests; and to them that labor, a recompense for their toil.

Now, therefore, I, Benjamin Harrison, President of the United States of America, do earnestly recommend that Thursday, the twenty-eighth day of this present month of November, be set apart as a day of National Thanksgiving and prayer, and that the people of our country, ceasing from the cares and labors of their working days, shall assemble in their respective places of worship and give thanks to God, who has prospered us on our way and made our paths the paths of peace, beseeching Him to bless the day to our present and future good, making it truly one of thanksgiving for each reunited home circle, as for the nation at large.

In witness thereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the United States to be affixed.

Done at the city of Washington, this first day of November, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty-nine, and of the Independence of the United States the one hundred and fourteenth.

By the President,
BENJAMIN HARRISON.
JAMES G. BLAINE,
Secretary of State.

BY THE GOVERNOR.

STATE OF NEW YORK.
EXECUTIVE CHAMBER.

In accordance with an established custom, and by virtue of the power vested in me as Governor of the State of New York, I hereby set apart and appoint Thursday, the 28th of November, instant, to be a day of Tnanksgiving. Upon that day let the people express in an appropriate manner their gratitude to God for the blessings which He has bestowed in the year now drawing to a close, and invoke His mercy and care during the year that is to come. Let the day be marked by rest from secular employment, by cheer and good will at family firesides, by deeds of kindness to the poor and afflicted, and by devout acknowledgment of our indebtedness and responsibility to the Divine Giver of all good things.

Done at the Capitol in the city of Albany, this fourth day of November, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty-nine.

By the Governor, DAVID. B. HILL.
T. S. WILLIAMS, *Private Secretary.*

LECTURES.

UNDER THE AUSPICES OF THE

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November 14th—Rev. Dr. Gallaudet (for the benefit of the Gallaudet Home).
December 19th—Mr. Frank B. Thompson.
January 16th—E. A. Hodgson.

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A FEW weeks ago, we suggested the advisability of postponing the International Congress of Teachers of the Deaf until the year 1892, so that its character might be more truly international, by reason of the additional incentive that the World's Fair would offer to teachers in foregin lands. Many of the deaf-mute papers have published comments on our suggestion—some of which were pertinent and wise, and some otherwise. Now, the idea was not to allow the year 1890 to pass without holding a convention of teachers of the deaf, but rather to avoid calling an *international* convention at that time, as we believed the inducements for postponing it would be justified by the increased attendance of foreigners if held in the year that marks the 400th anniversary of the discovery of America by Christopher Columbus. The great men of the profession will probably settle the question, and the JOURNAL has no inclimation to clamor for or against a postponement.

However, when the international convention does occur, we would like our deaf-mute pupils, as well as graduates, to demonstrate practically some of the excellences of the system by which they have been taught. Of course, there will be an abundance of deaf-mute intellectual lights, and any suggestion that they do their share in the presentation of topics or the discussion of them, would seem wholly unnecessary. We desire to talk to that great majority who walk the humbler ways of life, and who, by manual dexterity and industrious habits, earn the respect of their fellowmen, and enjoy the comfort of happy firesides, good appetites and plenty to satisfy them. In a word, an exhibit of skilled mechanical productions would form an interesting feature of the convention. After all, it is by the great majority of graduates, and not by the expectionally bright ones, that the efficiency of educational institutions should he judged. And the experiences and accomplishments of this large class of graduates, ought to have a strong influence upon the direction of the education of pupils in the future.

Every one conversant with deaf-mute education, knows there are problems to deal with which require cultured minds rich in philosophy and experience, and in advocating a consideration of the industrial accomplishments of pupils or graduates, the intent is simply to call serious attention to a branch of instruction that is too often undervalued and sometimes altogether ignored.

The convention, it is presumed, will be held at the New York Institution. Therefore, the pupils and the graduates of the New York Institution should show what they can do. Photographers Douglas and Pach might each contribute an album for the inspection of attending delegates. Artists like Mr. Ballin, Miss Hawkins, Miss Decker, Mr. Emmons and Mr. Chas. Thompson, could all show some original and first-class specimens of the brush and palette. Messrs. Stryker, Donnelly, Porter, Lounsbury, Capelli, O'Brien, Durian, and others, might send special exhibits of intricate and artistic typography and press-work. Expert shoemakers like Chas. Bryan, Henry Stengele, and ever so many others, might demonstrate their ability as silent knights of St. Crispin. Cabinetmaking, carpentry and tailoring specimens, could easily be made in miniature by innumerable graduates and pupils. Excellence in the line of dressmaking and all the dainty *et ceteras* of sewing, no doubt would be well presented by the gentler sex. In fact, the institution might furnish an exhibit that would arouse the admiration of every visitor at the convention, and add at the same time striking and incontestable evidence of the efficiency of its system of education.

ITEMIZER

The idea is to gather into this column items that relate to deaf-mutes personally, or to associations of deaf-mutes, or to institutions for the benefit of deaf-mutes. We hope our friends and readers will keep us supplied with items for this column. Mark items to be sent: *The Itemizer.*

Rev. J. H. Cloud will hold a religious service in St. Louis, Mo., on December 1st, in the afternoon only.

Mrs. Samuel Corbet, a mute, shot herself fatally at Bellaire, O. Family quarrel enraged her. Four children left.

It is rumored that the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Stratton, of this city, is very ill and is not expected to live.

A subscriber wishes to know if A. Lincoln Smith, a crayon artist is in New York City. Can any of our readers answer him?

Matthew F. Cheevers, formerly of Pittsfield, Mass., has been working, during the past year for the Dean Steam Pump Company of Holyoke, Mass.

We regret to state that Mrs. C. M. Nelson, President of the Lady Managers of the Gallaudet Home, is again seriously ill. A while ago she was a very little better. Many friends will anxiously pray for her recovery.

Rev. Job. Turner has resumed his duties for several months in much refreshed and invigorated and health and mind. He reached Louisville, Ky., at 3 o'clock, on the morning of Sunday, the 17th inst., in a heavy rain, and held a service for deaf-mutes in the same afternoon at St. Paul's church, which is always kindly placed at his disposal. He says he has not seen so disagreeable weather for many years, and that he did not enjoy many bright sunshines in Europe during his tour.

Thos. Crowley, of New Philadelphia, O., said that a deaf-mute tailor, Geo. Roby, of Leesville, while passing a grocery store recently, with about three feet of stove-pipe in his hands, was notified by a constable that he was violating the village ordinance by carrying anything longer than two feet on the sidewalk, and that he must take the street. The owner of the objectionably lengthy pipe very quietly unjointing it, and, placing both pieces under his arm, pursued his way on the sidewalk to the intense disgust of the bystanders.

Yesterday was Professor White's thirty-third birthday, and when he came home from town in the afternoon he was suprised to see a group of his pupils from the deaf-mute institute there before him. They surprised him still more by presenting him with pretty double inkstand set and a Russian leather wallet as a token of their affectionate regard. The professor was struck dumber that he was ever before, if that were possible, but he managed to gather together wits enough to thank his pupils for their kind remeberance which he knew cost much for them. He was "unspeakably" happy.—*Salt Lake City Herald, Nov.* 10.

In good works the Belfast people are rarely behind. Missions, hospitals, homes for sick children, and charitable institutions appeal not in vain month after month to the sympathies of the philanthropic-minded, with the result that much misery and suffering is averted. Those institutions which are in a position to help themselves have always met with cordial support. It will be seen from our report that the sale of work yesterday in the Central Mission Hall, Fisherwick Place, on behalf of the Mission to the Adult Deaf and Dumb of Ireland, was influentially supported. The Mission has been the means of carrying on a large amount of good work among the adult deaf add dumb, but it is desirable that its operations should be extended. Deaf-mutes are, from the peculiar nature of their affliction, placed in a disadvantageous position in the struggle for existence. To enable them to earn their liva special course of training is required, and this cannot be without means. The Mission provides not only spiritual but secular instruction, and there is much in its constitution to commend it to the support of the public. From the excellent speeches delivered yesterday it is evident that the deepest interest is taken by clergymen of different denominations in the progress of the Mission. With such unanimity of opinion, there is no reason why the Missions to the Adult Deaf and Dumb of Ireland should not ultimately raise our less fortunate fellow-creatures to a higher level than they have hitherto enjoyed.—*Northern Whig, Belfast, Ireland.*

Rev. A. W. Mann, Deaf-Mute Missionary.—The sign language has found its greatest development in connection with the intellectual and religons advancement of deaf-mutes, in which its efficacy has been abundantly proven. It is unequaled as a definer of words, since it is a pictorial language, The motions of the hands and fingers flash ideas upon the minds of deaf-mutes with great clearness. They help them to the acquisition of another means of expression—written language—which is the real object of their being sent to school. The impression on many minds is that they are sent there solely to learn the sign language. The sign language is also unequaled as a means of conducting public worship for deaf-mutes. It is far more distinct to the eye than the motions of the lips, which are really another form of the sign language. In lip reading it is impossible to catch every word of a rapid discourse, so that the words must be framed slowly on the lips. A discourse in this fashion is tedious, lifeless, unprofitable. The minds of the silent congregation are not stirred. In very decided contrast is the presentation of the same Gospel truths by the distinct and graceful gestures of a master. They are to deaf-mutes what pleasing speech and sounds are to their hearing brethren. Deafness is more common than is generally supposed. One in every three grown persons has his hearing more or less impaired. By the "deaf," as a class, are usually meant only those who, having been thus disabled from birth or childhood, can not attend ordinary schools, and must be taught by some special method. There are nearly 40,000 such people in the United States. They are commonly all called deaf-mutes, but this name properly applies to those only who can not speak. In nearly every instance, however, especially if the hearing is lost in childhood, or the person afflicted has been disabled from birth, the speech rarely remains with them. Being oblivious of what is being said to them, except in the sign language, they naturally contract the habit of using the same method to reply, and so very seldom make use of speech that it becomes lost to them.—*Globe-Democrat, St. Louis. Oct 27, 1889.*

A BUM ON A TOOT

HE WORKS THE DEAF AND DUMB ACT WITH THE OLD SOLDIER ACCOMPANIMENT, GETS DRUNK AND IS JAILED.

MONROEVILLE, Ind., Nov. 3, '89.

Robert Ridesburg, a tanner and currier by trade, has been working for Taylor Bros., on Vine street, Cincinnati, O. Robert made a great mistake in his early days by not getting married, and now, at 60, he finds himself out of employment and no Barbary Ellen to take in washing to keep him; he starts on a tramp and turns up here, at Monroeville, busted; but as he wends his way through the streets, his eagle eye catches sight of a slate and pencil, left on the curb stone by the giddy school boy as he hastens to join in a game of marbles. Robert freezes onto the slate, and soon has pictured out, in glowing lines, a statement that he is deaf, dumb, and crippled, for life caused by an explosion in the army. Armed with this, he proceeds to canvass the town, and soon the generosity of our citizens had well filled his purse. He put up at the Monroe House, and after supper leisurely sauntered about town sight-seeing. The principal commodity here being beer and whiskey, Robert thought he might as well be out of the world as out of fashion, and proceeded to take a cargo, in fact, his load was so great that Marshal Rose thought it time to call a halt, and, by the aid of two or three citizens (for he fought like a tiger) landed him in the cooler. Justice Blake thought it worth about $20 and costs, and as he had not had time to collect that amount, he was shipped to Fort Wayne, to stop at the Hotel Viberg. Robert feels very sorry that he will be deprived of voting next Tuesday.—*Ft. Wayne News.*

WILLIAM SKIDMORE DEAD.

During the bast week friends the of this young man were pained to learn that he was lying in a very critical condition in Rochester, and that his death was only a question of a few days at most. Deceased was a deaf-mute and had spent the greater portion of his life at the institution in Rochester for the education of children thus afflicted. But the writer remembers when the deceased could hear perfectly and was just beginning to talk. Then came that terrible disease, cerebro spinal meningitis, and for weeks Willie's life hung in the balance. Then he began to to rally, and in a short time he was on the rapid road to recovery. But when health came back it was noticed that the child could neither hear nor speak, and from that time until the hour when the angel of death came, Willie Skidmore was a mute. In time he was sent to the Rochester institution to be educated, and as he grew to be young man he displayed a Christain disposition, whice helped him to bear with fortitude the great affliction which befell him when an infant. No young man stood higher in the estimation of the writer than the deceased. Never have I known a young man possessing purer thoughts or nobler aspirations. He was a devout Christian and a member of the Presbyterian church. His every deed and action bore him out in his profession of religion. Just before his death he sent for the professor, and in their mute language said: "I am going to die. I am happy, and shall soon be at rest." In a little while after his spirit winged its flight to the eternal city, and another of God's chosen was at rest. His death occurred on November 7th, from hemorrhage of the lungs. Funeral will be held from the family residence, No. 110 College avenue, this afternoon at 1 o'clock. —*Elmira Telegram.*

Belfast Deaf Mute Literary society.

Belfast, Ireland, News-Letter, Nov. 2.

The third session of this society was opened last evening in the lecture-room of the Central Mission Hall for the Deaf, Fisherwick Place. There was a large attendance of members. The Mayor presided, having been moved to the chair by Mr. Maginn, missionary, seconded by Mr. Laverty. The Mayor delivered a very interesting address, pointing out the benefits which even persons deprived of some of their natural faculties, such as most of his audience were, would derive from a study of the arts and sciences. He did not doubt but that if some of his audience devoted their attention to to the noble arts of painting, drawing, or even photography and sculpture, that it was quite possible they might not only be able to earn a substantial remuneration, but very probable to gain distinction, considering the great powers of concentration which they were said to be gifted with. Although he had not come very much in contact with the deaf and dumb, yet he had a profound sympathy with them and the utmost desire to assist them in every way he could. Altogether apart from his position as Mayor of that city, he took a deep interest in their condition, and he thought it was very gratifying to see that they were putting forth such efforts to ameliorate and improve their position in life. He was sure if some of his fellow citizens were only present with him that evening, they would join with him very heartily in saying that it was a great pleasure to have a privilege of seeing such an audience, composed of those who, deprived of some of their natural means of communicating their ideas to their fellow man, were, nevertheless, asserting the same privileges as others much better endowed in endeavouring to establish a society for their mental improvement in the direction of literary attainments, and he hoped that scientific and artistic pursuits would not be neglected. He thanked his audience, in conclusion, for the honour they had done him in having given him an opportunity of saying a few words, which he hoped they would take as sympathetic on his part. (Applause.) Mr. J. Beattie, of the Ulster Institution, kindly acted as interpreter. Recitations were given during the evening by Messrs. Hanvey, Vesner, and M'Camley, mutes.

SACO, MAINE.

MR. EDITOR:—Last Sunday, the 10th, I went to Gray from Lewiston in company with five other mutes to the residence of Mr. Hiram Hunt, President of the Maine Deaf-Mute Mission. When we got there, it commenced snowing, but we were delighted to see Mr. Hunt and his family, and we were surprised to find Mrs. Charles Stevens, of Portland, there. At noon we were treated to a bountiful dinner. About three o'clock, we left there, and reached Lewiston about nine o'clock all right. While we were there, Mrs. Stevens got up a good plan about Mr. and Mrs. Hunt's thirty years of wedded life, which occurs on the 15th of next month, December, and they would like to have it put in the DEAF-MUTES' JOURNAL, so that every one who knows Mr. and Mrs. Hunt, may be welcomed at his house at that time, as a present is to be given to them, and we expect to have a good time.

M. P. B.

COLLEGE CHRONICLE.

"Comedy of Errors."

HIRE AND THERE.

(From our Washington Correspondent.)

While preparing for the original during the past week, we have had a little "comedy of errors" in real life, that has strained to the utmost more than one heretofore serene and tranquil temper. The first act was performed on Thursday, and the role of "heavy villain" was filled in the most realistic manner by the so called Columbia Athletic Club, while the Kendall Athletic Association and its football team represented the "injured innocent" with more than life-like exactness. Thursday forenoon, we received a telephone message from the city club above named, asking us to give them a game on our grounds that afternoon at four o'clock. As we had no other engagement and hoped to get a little practice for the Saturday game at Annapolis, we accepted their challenge and made preparations accordingly. When the appointed time came, quite a number of the Columbia's friends, both in carriages and on foot, came up to the Green. The Kendalls waited till five o'clock, but not a man of the outside team put in an appearance, and up to date no apology has been received.

But compared with the performance of Saturday, the above was a mere side scene. During the whole week the board of management of the Kendall Athletic Association, had been making preparations for the team to go to Annapolis. Letters and telegrams were sent out and innumberable visits to the railway offices in the city made, in order to accommodate the party of twenty-five persons, who were to have taken the 12:10 noon train on the Baltimore and Ohio. A written promise from the General Agent of the road, stated that he would have the train stop at the foot of our grounds—Boundary Street—to take the party on board. All were there on time, in the highest of spirits, augmented by the associated press report that the Pan-American Congress and Maritime Conference members would be at the Naval Academy, and would therefere, probably witness the game. The 12:10 train was also on time. It probably intended to keep on time, as it failed to stop for us; and the curtain went down to slow music and blue fire on the first scene. It is useless to attempt to describe the disappointment of the party. The next regular train would not leave till 4:30 P.M., so no chance was left in that direction of reaching Annapolis. The boys and their friends soon dispersed, giving up all hope of the proposed game. Two members of the board went to the depot at about two o'clock to obtain an explanation from General Agt. Alvey. He was found, but seemed as indignant as anyone at the mistake, stating that he had given the order as promised. Then the two college boys above mentioned were treated to an insight into the working of a great railroad corporation. First Mr Alvey proceeded to hold one of the local Baltimore expresses, and telegraphed to that city to have another on a connecting line for Annapolis held also. This was refused. Next a request to another connecting line to run a special train connecting with a B. & O. regular was also declined. After further futile attempts of this sort, the agent set two men to telegraphing, which was kept up for half an hour, and he then announced that we should have a special engine, coach and crew, placed at our disposal and entirely at his expense, to take us through to Annapolis. This would have made quick time, reaching the seat of the Naval Academy at 3:45. Two attempts were made to call up the college by 'phone to get the party ready; but as we have no one to attend this end of the wire, both efforts were failures. Their cabs were taken, which reached here only a few minutes before the Pullman with its brass-button-bedecked crew and bran new 884, one of the heaviest engines on the road, drew up at Boundary Street, and the general agent himself got off, only to find that the party could not possibly be brought together and only about half of the team was left at the Green, the rest having gone to the city! Of course, this made the trip impossible, and the special was permitted to go back to the yards and the curtain was lowered to the tune of "Johnny, get your gun," with bursts of blue vapor and brimstone and the air filled with groans. As the mistake was the fault of the company, it was no more than their duty to do everything possible to remedy the matter, even to going to the great expense of a special train; but nevertheless their efforts were highly appreciated, and we feel that at least one corporation has a soul. In addition to the above evidences, we may add that telegrams aggregating fifty words were sent for us to the cadets, by the agent, free of charge.

At the Literary Society meeting Friday evening, the essay was delivered by Mr. Washburn, '90, who took for his subject. "The Disagreeables," under that head giving us some of the results of his entomological researches. The essay was illustrated with fine watercolor potraits of the subject described—the *Araneidæ Arachnida*, or spider. The debate, "Resolved, that every responsible citizen should have the freedom of the ballot," by Messrs. Lange, '92, and Stewart, '93, on the affirmative side, and Messrs. Dimick, '92, and Seaton, '93, in support of the negative, was awarded to the latter. The dialogue, "A Professor and Student," by Messrs. Pyle, '93, and Kershner, '94, had many "local hits" that created much laughter.

The closing declamation by Mr. Tilton, '93, "To a Skeleton," was beautifully rendered in signs and received deserved applause.

"The unkindest cut of all" which we have heard in regard to our time-honored and never-failing Sunday apple-pie, was the comparison of it by a Senior to the one referred to by Charles Lamb. Lamb was once riding in a stage-coach, when it was stopped by a man who wished to get in, and who opened the door with the customary question; "All full inside?" "I-I d-don't know h-h-how it is with the others," said Lamb, with his usual stutter, "b-but that l-last piece of apple-pie d-did the business for me." After such a comparison as this, we haven't the heart to say anything about the moss-back bread-pudding.

HERE AND THERE.

Madden, '93, covered himself with glory at the dedication of the new Catholic University last Wednesday. He is acquainted with one of the bishops, and was invited to sign the Lord's Prayer before a meeting of the priests and bishops.

Mr. Ward, "the member from New Jersey" at the Paris Congress last summer, was a visitor at the college on Wednesday. He had attended the Catholic Congress in Baltimore as a delegate, and came down to be present at the dedication of the university.

Douglas has got out a very fine album of Kendall views, comprising all the buildings, groups of students and professors, interior views, etc. If every institution had one of these albums, the effect would go a long way towards enlarging the number of applications for admission to the college.

A game has been arranged to take place between the Duponts and Kendalls, Tuesday afternoon, on our grounds.

The college received a visit this week from one of the first young woman students it ever had, in the person of Mrs. Day. She was for three years connected with the class of '74.

Beadell, '91, beats time on the "gym" snare-drum this season, Tilton, '93, being employed in the printing-office.

It isn't safe to mention Annapolis "in lighter vein" just now; we're in no mood for levity.

The need of better lighting facilities in the chapel than the present stained-glass windows, was very noticeable during Prof. Chickering's sermon this afternoon. The text written on the slate could not be read from the rear seats, and this is true of every cloudy Sunday.

Next Saturday the St. John's College team, of Annapolis, is booked for a game with us on our grounds. This team was beaten, Saturday, at Charlottesville, Va., by the University Club, 14 to 2. We will try to do even better.

W. B.

KENDALL GREEN, D. C., Nov. 17, '89.



"A Play is one thing;
Posing is everything."

We have no apologies to make our appearance, and do not pretend to supply these paragraphs for—"O! bother!" but appeal to our kind friends to please buy tickets and come to see us; and take to heart what we are about, thereby save themselves much annoyance. We are a little crude, perhaps, though full of zip, and a desire to relieve the Home of its troubles.

Tickets are out. O! dear me, what a cheerful rush! "5," "2," "10," etc., oh, how they flew. Only to persons of right mind. It is a wrong notion for the man of moderate means to hang fire and cast a glance awry at men of reputed wealth. Show a good example by subscribing promptly. If you do it to-day, you would not have to think of it to-morrow. Some day you must do it, or fail in a proper spirit. Tickets are 25, 35, and 50 cents. Fifty-cent tickets are reserved seats, limited to fifty. The thirty-five-cent are also reserved, (camp chairs), limited to seventy-five. The twenty-five-cent are benches or standing-room. Last year we gave twenty pieces. This time, our handsomely got up programme will count thirty-five. Lovely? The platform will be raised to three feet high, making it level with the audience's shoulders, thereby affording a perfect view to all. We have the services of ten gentlemen as ushers, making it all in all run smoothly, and worth your while to walk fifty miles to witness. Come yourself, and bring a friend or two.

MISS ALICE M. HATCH,
Chairman.

Mr. Elliot S. Waring, of Oskaloosa, Iowa, and Miss Chloe W. Child, of Grinnell, were married, at the residence of the bride's parents, Sunday evening, November 10th. The wedding was a very quiet one.

ST. LOUIS.

A Masquerade Ball.

CLUB LECTURES.

Items of News.

When, on Thursday night, the dapper little president of the St Louis Deaf-Mute Club, Willie Stafford, ascended the platform and called the meeting to order with a stamp of his No. 5's and an ominous contraction of the eyebrows that meant business and boded ill to any infraction of parliamentary rules, he was greeted by a storm of applause and a much larger attendance than had ever been known before at a purely business meeting of the club. The first was owing to his deserved popularity and the fact that this is the first time he has presided at a meeting since his election two months ago, and the latter was due to the change of the time of meeting from Saturday to Thursday. Saturday night is a busy time for some of the members, who work on the daily newspapers and have to hustle to get out the big Sunday editions, and, to a good many others, hence the change. There was plenty of business on hand to occupy the attention of the members, so it was nearly eleven o'clock before the meeting adjourned. The Committee on the Annual Masquerade Ball reported that it had secured Euterpe Hall, corner Jefferson Avenue and Walnut Street, and that the ball will be given on the 25th of January. A handsome prize will be given for the handsomest and most comical costume. One thousand tickets will be printed immediately and distributed among the members. A committee was appointed to look up another hall for the club, but the prevailing opinion seems to be that no change is desirable the present hall being all that can be desired as to location and convenience, unless extra superfine inducements are offered on a silver platter, with the platter thrown in, provided it is not plated ware. It was decided to celebrate that red letter day in the history of the deaf of America, the 10th of December, on the 7th, by having a fishing party and festival at the club rooms, and a committee was appointed to attend to the details. Your scribe must plead a woeful lack of knowledge as to what a fishing party in mid-winter is. Whether the party fishes for the finny tribe, hearts or boodle, he does not know, but you may be sure he will be on hand to report the proceedings. Live and learn! The ladies will take a prominent part in this event, and they have already decided that any gentleman who dares to appear on the scene without a lady escort, shall be fined to the fullest extent that the law allows. Crabbed old bachelors and stingy young men will hereby take warning and act accordingly. On the 17th, Mr. Chas. Wolfe recounted his experiences in Europe to a large and appreciative audience, and the next week, Mr. McGregor held the floor for an hour and a half, while he told the story of "She," which was followed by an oyster supper. The oysters were good, but the night was stormy, so the attendance was not up to the expectations of the committee in charge. It, however, managed to clear expenses with a small balance to its credit. Some of those, who braved the weather, were drenched for their temerity, on the way home, but no evil effects followed, so far as I can learn.

Rev. A. W. Mann held services at Christ Church, last Sunday. The morning service was slimly attended, but in the afternoon he was greeted by an audience of thirty-five or forty mutes, who paid undivided attention to his discourse. Arrangements will soon be made whereby more frequent services will be held.

Rev. Mr. Cloud will hold a service at Christ Church on the 1st of December.

Mr. Louis Jacoby, the genial secretary of the club, was called home to Brighton, Ill., by the death of his father, this week. He was seventy-four years of age, and died of heart disease, after a few hours' illness. Mr. Jacoby has the sincere sympathy of all the mutes here in his bereavement.

Mrs. McBain, who met with a painful accident lately, by being run over by a carriage, has so far recovered as to be able to be about again.

On account of the continued delicate health of his wife, Mr. W. E. Guss has broken up housekeeping, and is now boarding with his sister-in-law. Miss Lizzie Steward, who acted as his maid of all work, has secured a position in a manufacturing establishment, and now turns out bifurcated garments for masculine use at so much per pair, and is doing well. Miss Schaum keeps her company, so she is not at all lonesome during her working hours.

Mr. Thomas Breen, of Philadelphia, was confidentially expected to put in his appearance here lately to swell the deaf-mute population, having been offered a lucrative position in the shoe factory wherein Mr. Geo. Hunter presides as cutter, but, at the last moment, he wired his inability to come, and Mr. S. Delaney secured his position and is correspondingly happy, having been out of a job for two or three months.

Mr. M. H. Kerr still presides over the pastel and crayon department of the Genelli Gallery, to the eminent satisfaction of the aristrocratic patrons of that well-known establishment.

All the deaf-mutes of St. Louis are employed and doing well. I have failed to find a single idler in the whole lot, which speaks well for them and St. Louis.

St. Louis is bound to have the World's Fair in 1892, and don't you forget it. The frantic efforts of Chicago and the sleepy go-lucky-spasms of New York, only elicit a derisive smile on the part of the St. Louisian, so sure is he of securing the coveted prize, and, according to all indications, the tide is setting his way, so he has good reason to smile, but, all the same, he is not relaxing his efforts but is still putting in his best licks, so he is bound to win, and everything points his way, so Chicago and New York had better throw up the sponge. It is no use fighting against fate.

Mr. Hugh K. Bush, of Farmington, Mo., was in town for a few days last week.

Mr. Frank Read will be here on the 23d. Saturday evening, he will give the club another installment of "Barriers Burned Away." He gives a chapter at a time, and will, no doubt, get through with it about this time next year. On Sunday, the 24th, he will preach at the club room.

President Willie Stafford has grown preceptibly since he became the proud owner of a little speck of humanity, whom he calls his son and heir, a couple of weeks ago.

Mr. E. Harden presented her liege lord with another boy nine weeks ago. This makes the fourth. They are living in their own house now, at Clifton, a few miles out of the city.

Wm. D. Sheriff, the bicyclist sprinter, was married, a short time ago, to Miss Emma Wolfert, of South St. Louis.

Messrs. Jalager and Fisher attended the fair during fair week. The latter bought a reaper, of which he is very proud.

Since I have been here, four new members have been added to the club, which now has a membership of thirty-four.

M.

ST. LOUIS, MO., Nov. 16, 1889.

Coxsackie, N. Y.

Mr. Wm. A. Watts and his wife and child visited Catskill one day last month.

William met a mute, Will Benton, by name, at the Kaaterskill Hotel, who was on a fox-hunt with his brothers in the mountains. Mr. Benton was a graduate of the 50th Street School. He said he shot and killed two bears three years ago, near Lexington.

A trip to the Catskill Mountains these days is delightful and healthy. The mountains are never more beautiful than when viewed under an October sun.

Mrs. Timothy Weeks has not been well the past week, but is getting better.

Charles Kleine, a mute, formerly of this town, and sentenced to Auburn for burglary committed in Buffalo, has escaped, but a recent report of his capture was received last week. He lived in Buffalo up to the time of his arrest.

Mr. Wm. A. Watts has been working in the ice business since the 7th of May, except three holidays, lacking four days in six months.

Mr. and Mrs. Watts and child expect to visit Albany after the Thanksgiving Day, if nothing prevents Mr. Watts from leaving town.

Miss Minnie Prendergast has returned, to finish her studies at the St. Mary Institution, at Fordham, N. Y.

KAUXAKEE.

M. L. A. GOSSIP.

The M. L. A. is on its legs after all.

You can see "de Washington Delegates" photo, if you call at Harth's Sunday eve. It is a beauty.

Well, what's the matter over the river. Come, come, wake up there, big guns, and officially accept our challenge to debate.

The M. L. A. received twenty-five of the Union League Ball tickets, and by this time each member has one in his pocket.

President Capelli, for the past three weeks, had a mighty busy time in the interests of the M. L. A. Surely this was a piece of good luck, otherwise he would be at his frame and stick in hand, setting type, rendered unable by a sore thumb. When on a business tour, you can see that thumb wrapped up to the size of a sweet potato.

It will be pleasing to note that the lecture by Dr. Gallaudet nettled $3.00 and went to the Home.

Readers, please turn around the corner and look over our big advertisement, and have a smile!

NOTICE.

The Bible Class for Deaf-Mutes will meet as usual in the Sunday School room of St. Ann's Church next Wednesday evening, November 27th, at eight. All are invited.

THE GUILD.

The Regular meeting of the Silent Workers of the Guild will be held on Tuesday, Nov. 26th, at 8 P.M., in the Guild Room of St. Ann's Church, West 18th Street, near Fifth Avenue.

Respectfully yours,
A. L. THOMAS.

COLUMBUS.

A Big Debate Coming.

DESERTED HIS WIFE.

(*From our Columbus Correspondent.*)

At the regular meeting of the Clionian Society, last Saturday evening, the members had a debate on the question, "Which is to be preferred, a town or country life?" It lasted a short while, and the decision of the judges were in favor of the negative side. The usual routine programme then followed, after which the members adjourned and went to bed.

In about two or three weeks, the hottest debate ever witnessed in the society's room will come off. It will be contested by Messrs. Patterson, Charles, Greener and Schory, on a question to be decided upon by themselves. The gentlemen will undoubtedly have a war dance, and the result is expectantly looked forward to.

The natal lay of Mr. C. W. Charles dawned on the sixteenth, and, in the evening, his friends prepared a surprise for him. Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Schory, at whose home he is staying, managed to enforce his absence for a time, while they prepared the details of the plot. Mr. Charles, all in blissful ignorance of the fun awaiting him, came up to the institution where the Clionians were holding their meeting and remained a spectator throughout its course. At the close, Mr. Schory slipped in and informed Mr. Charles that his presence was wanted home. Quite unknowing what was to happen, the latter went, and when he got home found a myriad of friends lacked by lots of fine grub awaiting him. Of course, they had a good time, and it seems likely that Mr. Charles will have no objection to another such occasion, when the right time comes.

The wife of Mr. George D. Black, who has been visiting her parents, returned some time ,ago bringing with her substantial proof of their love in the shape of $4,500 in good hard cash. The couple will not squander this small fortune, but will prudently invest a part in a house and put the remainder where it will be safe. Mr. Black now has his eye on a nice residence, which he thinks he can get for about $1,700, in which case he and his wife will move by Christmas.

The recent marriage of Jesse Swaney to Ida C. Ketchum was one of the events of the season, but as we have no particulars, more cannot be said about it. It seems, as though that Prof. Bell's theory has no terrors for the mutes of Ohio. Wedding bells are clanging all over the state, and nearly every mute of the masculine gender has taken unto himself a comforter. Let the good work go on!

No one visiting the institution, whose olefactory organs are of a trustworthy kind, will be apt to mistake the above place for a cologne factory. The combined work of painters, plasterers, natural-gas-pipe layers, and others, have produced the result of making the place rival a bone-dust mill in odor, and handkerchiefs drenched with *can de cologne* are in great demand. One good result will come from this, however, in the shape of the greatly improved look of the institution, which is fast becoming the most beautiful building in the state.

Erank Evans weekly makes his appearance in town with a wagonload of provisions from Perry Co., about forty-five miles away, which he generally succeeds in disposing of at a good price. The produce is from his own farm and is raised by himself.

Mr. E. J. Scott is overjoyed at the safe arrival of his wife and child from somewhere near Dayton, O., where they have been staying for a long time past. Edward wears a smile that extends clear around his ears and buttons up behind.

John Leib and Alonzo Kingry have been gunning during the past few weeks, doing their best to bag all the sports they can.

"Be-au-o-o-o-to-ful—sn-o-w!" was the unspoken exclamation here on Friday noon, when the fleecy stuff began falling. Visions of moonlight sleigh-rides beset the officers, and the pupils anxiously anticipate the joys of snowball fighting, coasting, etc., for which the grounds here are just suited.

Most examples of Young America are noted for their fondness of sweet, indigestible articles, and it is well-known that they can, in most cases, rival goats in their masticatory powers. That deaf-mute boys are no whit different from their hearing brothers, is conclusively proved by the experience of a pupil here last week. After a hearty supper, he, still feeling a "goneness," proceeded to wrap himself around the following things, to wit: two plates of ice cream, three dried herrings, a couple of soda crackers of about the size and thickness of a Webster's unabridged, a foot or so of bologna sausage, etc., finally topping off with a pie-race during the course of which he made away with a whole one in about thirty seconds. On would have thought that he was as good as entered on a through ticket to Paradise, but such wasn't the case. He calmly retired to the land of dreams and slept the sleep of the just till about midnight, when nightmare attached him, and he then began to parade throngh the room, and raising the roof with hideous cries finally bringing up by sitting down in a trunk and beating a tattoo with his heels, in which latter position he was found by the watchman, who cleared him to bed, where the poor little glutton spent the remainder of the night enjoying the pangs of indigestion till morning.

The girls employed in the State bindery located here on the Institution grounds, are in hard luck. The work is uncertain and indefinite, and seldom gives steady employment for any length of time. For some time past, it has been closed up, but reopened during the week and will give the girls work for three weeks, when it will again close up and leave them out in the cold. There really ought to be some plan whereby they can be assured of steady work. Most of them have no other means of earning a livelihood and being dependent upon their own resources, frequently find themselves in a precarious position when work fails.

Charles Green, an ex-pupil of the Institution, has been living with his wife for some time past at a certain place on McAllister Avenue this city. Charles Green is a carpenter by trade, and although by no means above the average mute in smartness, was of fair intelligence. He is about thirty years of age, and has been married for five years. The couple have but one child, who is four years old. Last Wednesday morning, Charles Green informed his wife of his purposed act in the following words: "Good-bye, I shall never be seen here again." He also told her that all expenses, house, rent, etc., must be paid by her, and then without further preamble decamped. His wife is in a delicate condition, and the shameful act of her husband, combined with other circumstances, have nearly prostrated her, and may result fatally. No one knows of the whereabouts of her recreant lord, and the deserted wife has found a home with Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Rice, where she will stay and await future developments. In the meantime, no one seems to be making any effort to trace Charles Green, and affairs remain just where started. The cowardly and disgraceful way, in which Charles Green has acted, has brought upon him the severest censure of all who know him. He was not very well off, but had hitherto been of blameless character.

HARLESFRAN.

CANADA.

THANKSGIVING DAY AT THE BELLEVILLE INSTITUTE—GRAND FOOT-BALL GAME.

The Belleville *Daily Ontario*, Nov. 8th, has the following item:

The delightful weather and the prospect of an exciting game attracted a goodly number of spectators to the Institute grounds yesterday afternoon, to witness the foot-ball match between the Union club of the city and the mutes. There were noticed especially many ladies who lent to the occasion the grace of their presence, and encouraged the contestants by their plaudits. Mr. Godbold, of Albert College, was referee, and C. Wright kindly took the place of H. Simpson, who was expected till the last minute. During the first half of the game, with the wind in their favor, the mutes often invaded their opponents' territory, but were not strong on goal, though once from a well managed foul, the union goal was closely beset. The ball was much in the air this half, but occasionally the Union right wing, Rourke and Wright (well backed by Thomas) showed some good combined play, while the right wing of the mutes kept Pearce busy. In the second half St. Charles and Lynch took several neat runs, while Crawford in centre had many dribbling rushes, and scored the first goal by a clean shot from a pass by Rourke. The mutes' full back, Kahler, though not a large lad, played a thoroughly good game, and is a strong and sure kicker. The mutes now redoubled their efforts and from one of their forward rushes equalized the score. Off-side was claimed but not allowed. A few minutes afterward a corner fell to the Unions, and as Crawford managed to place this directly in the mouth of the goal. Rourke scored goal No. 2 for the Union men. The mutes' left wing now showed clever play, and Mesner and Smith were often called on to saved, while Roberts took care of everything that came his way. From a good run on the left St. Charles put through the three goal for the Unions, and this ended the scoring. Until this match the Mutes had not lost a goal this season, while the Union team remain as yet unvanquished. The recent tour to Cobourg has produced increased interest here in this manly and vigorous game.

INSTITUTE NOTES.

The hospital wards are vacant, but the dining room is full three times a day. Dr. Murphy wears a serene countenance. His duties at the Institute are not serious.

The grounds have been thoroughly cleaned and are now in condition for the first snow storm.

The matron insists upon the girls taking regular exercise, but some of them prefer loitering about the comfortable rooms.

Foot ball is all the rage now. Baseball has been relegated to where Prof. Tyndall expects all things to go "into the infinitive azure of the past."

The "Juniors," who defeated a team from Albert College last Saturday, are Lilliputians in stature, but Brobdignagians in muscular activity. They play as the Trojans fought—for victory only.

The wee lads are ambitious of emulating the prowess of the seniors. They cannot kick the ball very far, but they make some furious efforts and gesticulate wildly.

We met the gobbler at dinner last Thursday (Thanksgiving) and he is ours. The conflict was short, sharp and decisive. Our poet wrote, or plagiarized:

Before Thanksgiving Day there sat
A gobbler that was well and fat;
Yet the fact warrants no presumption,
He died next day of *quick consumption*.

You have published to the world the fact that our foot ball club have been defeated for the first time this season. We acknowledge the corn gracefully as circumstances will permit, but the boys are anxious for another tussle with the so-called Union Foot Ball Club of Belleville. Our little fellows may be somewhat conceited, but they rather pride themselves on the fact that their opponents consisted of picked players from four clubs—the original City Club, the High School Club, the O. B. C. Club, and Albert College Club. Don't you think, Mr. Editor, that it was a strong combination to meet such small lads as we put in the field? I have heard some complaint about substituting the best players from Albert College, for one absent from the City Club, but we can afford to be magnanimous. Give us another chance and then we will compare merits, no matter what the result may be.—*Belleville Daily Intelligencer.*

PHILADELPHIA.

Last Wednesday evening, in the lecture room of the Young Men's Christian Association, Rev. Mr. J. M. Koehler delivered a very interesting lecture about his trip to Europe, before a moderately large attendance of deaf-mutes. Mr. Barnitz, of York County, Pa., was seen there. Every one present appreciated the lecture a good deal. A small, yet good sum of money, received from the sale of tickets for the lecture, will soon proceed to the Home Fund. The inclemency of the weather on that evening prevented a good many deaf-mutes from coming to see the lecture.

Last Thursday evening, the All Souls' Working People's Club and Clerc Literary Association presented a good programme of literary exercises, among which was a debate concerning the preference of holding the World's Fair in Chicago, New York or Washington, D. C., discussed by by Messrs. W. R. Cullingworth, Stevens and W. A. Miles. According to the vote of the audience, Chicago was the best place for holding the fair.

One of the officers of the Mutual Baseball Club requests the writer to insert the subjoined extract in this paper:

The Deaf-Mute Mutual Base Ball Club held their annual meeting last Friday. This is one of the foremost of the amateur clubs, and its friends may well feel proud of their fine record made during the past two seasons. The meeting was an important one, as the officers for next year were to be elected, and the players and members turned out in full force. After the various reports had been heard, the selection of officers to serve the ensuing year was made. It resulted in the selection of Charles F. Stiles for president, Joseph F. Massey for vice-president, and A. J. McGahn for secretary and treasurer. The manager's report was one most grateful to the players and members, and the fine records made by these hard-working amateurs were, when read, applauded. They propose next season to be much stronger than they were this, and they are justified in thinking that their team is one of the strongest. They also have a good reserve team from which at any time a player can be taken who is almost the equal of the regulars, and it is said that some of the reserves will be found with the other team next season.

A vote of thanks was extended to A. J. McGahn, who has been their secretary and treasurer since their organization, for his hard work and faithful service. All their friends join in wishing them success for the season of 1890.—*Philadelphia Times.*

Mr. A. J. McGahan expects to run five miles in a race against Mr. Emmet.

Mr. McDowell will skate on rollers in Phoenixville, Pa., in a very few weeks. He will also enter an eight-hour go-as-you-please race in a rink at 23d and Chestnut Streets, Philadelphia, in three weeks. He desires a good many deaf-mutes to witness his work there.

Last Saturday evening, there was a very exciting raffle for a fancy tea set of fifty-six pieces, held at the Apollo Club house. Over six hundred tickets at ten cents apiece had been sold. Mr. Edward D. Wilson won the prize. Mr. Wilson is the treasurer of the club. At that time, a good many people played on a pool table in the other room for five cents a cue. Messrs. Custer and James O'Neill, from Phoenixville, Pa., and "Mr. Spy," were seen there.

THE RECORDER.

PHILADELPHIA, Nov. 8, 1889.

Rev. Mr. Mann's Appointments.

Nov. 23—Chicago.
" 24—Chicago, 10:45 A.M., Holy Communion.
" 24—Chicago, 2:30 P.M., evening prayer and sermon.
" 28—Cleveland, 10:45 A.M., Thanksgiving service.
" 30—Pittsburgh.
Dec. 1—Pittsburgh, 10:45 A.M., Holy Communion.
" 1—Pittsburgh, 3 P.M., evening prayer and sermon.
" 1—Pittsburgh, 7:30 P.M., probabe

NOTICE.

Residents of Brooklyn are invited to attend Divine Service in St. Mark's Church next Sunday afternoon, November 24th, at three, and also the Bible class, which is taught there every Sunday afternoon at that hour.

BOSTON.

The Boston Deaf-Mute Society.

A LAWYER'S OPINION.

Levee on Wednesday, Nov. 27th.

(*From our Boston Correspondent.*)

About ninety deaf-mutes revolted for freedom from the Boston Deaf-Society, at a mass meeting held in Dexter Hall last Friday evening, and it is probable that the firm of Messrs. Story, Tillinghast & Co., who have been running the business under the name of "Boston Deaf-Mute Society" for fourteen years, will be forced to go hence and end their dictatorship.

Previous to the mass meeting, the object was intended to remove Mr. John T. Tillinghast from the committee, but since consulting with a lawyer engaged for that purpose the original plan was changed, and his case was deferred to some other time.

Mr. George C. Sawyer was chosen permanent chairman, and Mr. A. W. Orcutt, Secretary.

The Chairman opened the meeting by telling the reasons why charges against Mr. Tillinghast should be withheld, and, before proceeding, Mr. Sawyer said he would like a history of the Boston Deaf-Mute Society, so he called Mr. G. A. Holmes, who was the first committeeman of the Society, and he spoke as follows:

"During the seventies, there were two societies, one of which Mr. E. Bowes was the president, with Messrs. Sturgis, Brimmer and Brooks, as Trustees, and of the other, Mr. Holmes was an officer. Either of them was in confusion, so both agreed to form a union of both societies, naming it "The Boston Deaf-Mute Society." Mr. Bowes was President, Holmes, Vice-President, and Tillinghast, a director, with the same trustees. A few months afterwards, bills were presented against President Bowes, which disgusted him so much that he resigned, and Mr. Holmes, took his place, but after a few months Trustee Sturgis informed Mr. Holmes that the funds were exhausted, so it became necessary that the society be closed.

After a while the deaf-mutes began to long for a society, whereupon Mr. Holmes saw it, and consulted with Mr. Sturgis, who replied that if he could get several hundred dollars, he could go on. Consequently he (Mr. H.) engaged Mr. David White to collect subscriptions. After having succeeded in getting so much, he re-opened the rooms. As he was progressing he began to find that he could not do all the work, so after a consultation with Mr. Sturgis, Mr. Tillinghast was appointed to go along with him as a committeeman. But, again, they found they could not get along, on account of their frequent tie votes, so both appointed Mr. Lynde, and the trio with the trustees have managed the society up to the present time, except Mr. Holmes, who resigned two years ago.

The Chairman asked for some one to corroborate his statement. Messrs. Krause, Bailey, Magee and Rines, corroborated it.

Meanwhile the chairman asked Mr. Holmes and others if the society had ever drafted a Constitution and By-Laws defining the duties of officers, etc., to which they all replied in the negative, nor was any written agreement made.

Consequently, in the opinion of Lawyer Crane, the chairman said that the Boston Society was not worth anything, so we can go on as we please, because the society was not organized, having no Constitution and By-Laws, stating the object, number of officers, defining the duties of officers, etc.

The chairman desired to know how many deaf-mutes were in favor of going on with the Boston Society re-organized.

Forty-one voted for it, and fourteen against it, with twenty others not voting.

Discussion was in order, as to why the society should be organized.

Mr. Orcutt said that he is a member of the Gallaudet Society, a split of the Boston Society, but is willing, as the others will undoubtedly be, to join the Boston Society. (Great applause.)

Mr. Bailey said that he had longed to see the society free from bondage, and was rejoiced to see so many revolting against the bondage. He also praised the Philadelphia societies, and hoped that the Boston Society will follow.

President Frisbee, of the Gallaudet Club, said that some of us have been faithful workers, as well as strong believers in organizations, and we shall be rewarded before long.

Mr. Holmes also spoke in favor of it, and also Mr. Bigelow, with a suggestion about a permament fund.

Mr. Frisbee taking the chair, Mr. Sawyer said he was really glad that so many were in favor of organization, and hoped none of them would relax their efforts to have the society organized. He also said that he politely requested the Trustees' presence at this meeting, to which they replied that they did not think best to attend, as they knew the nature of the meeting, and no votes or acts could make them change their minds. Just like like them, they have the reputation of having their own way, but they will have to regret it yet.

Mr. Story, in a letter to Mr. Bigelow, said he would put confidence in no other persons than Mr. Tillinghast and the Hartford people. Why were most of us called graduates of the Hartford school? Didn't we get through the school, and go to fight against the world? Ought we to kneel down before the trustees and professors of the Hartford school? No, resist; for we have as much rights as others, then they will be dictators no more.

Lawyer Crane was asked to give his opinion, and said through the interpreter, Mr. Docharty's brother, that we ought to appoint a committee of five to draft a constitution and, by-laws, and meet again another evening, and after its adoption, elect officers, and get thesociety incorporated, then the society will become a lawful organization.

Messrs. Sawyer, Bigelow, Frisbee, Orcutt and Holmes, were appointed a the Committee.

Mr. E. Frisbee offered the use of the Gallaudet Society room for the next mass meeting on December 4th.

The meeting adjourned at 9.14 P.M.

Mr. Crane, in a letter to the chairman, expressed his pleasure with the spirit and intelligence manifested at the meeting last Friday.

The Committee on the Levee to be given in Dexter Hall, November 27th, at 8 P.M., have been busy all the week, and the party promises to be a very brilliant affair. For more particulars, look in the advertising columns of this paper.

SOCRATES.

Non. 18, 1889.

Nashua, N. H.

Henry P. Corless, who came here to work, probably has left for good, owing to the dull business at the lock shop. He went to Antrim to live with his parents, and at last accounts he has secured a better paying job.

Indeed, we enjoyed such a treat from Mr. Frisbee as was anticipated. He held the unlimited attention of those present for two hours. All pronounced it to be very interesting and instructive, and would be glad to have him finish the lecture at some other time. Among the outsiders wers Mrs. Fish, of New Boston, and Mr. J. H. Baker, of Manchester.

Sunday services were conducted by Mr. Frisbee to a small attendance.

Mr. Edwin French has hired a house, and is occupying it, in on South Auburn Street.

Miss Sweet, (not Livett, as erreonously printed in a late issue,) went home to Bennington for the benefit of her health, and after a long needed rest she will be ready to come back to work, out of sympathy for her recent illness. Her associate workers contributed of their means for her, and she was so much surprised to see how well she was remembered, that she didn't know which way to look.

Mr. W. E. White will finish the lecture, "Daring Deeds of Blue and Gray," next Saturday night.

Mr. Ira E. Worcester's mother was in town recently.

Mr. Frank Damon has worked in the furniture shop constantly for nearly twenty years. In the same shop Mr. Blodgett has been employed for over fifteen years. Stick to work, boys!

Hartford Institution.

The Washington and Clerc Clubs played a game of polo in the playhouse, on November 16th. They are all deaf-mutes, and played an excellent game. The Clercs were defeated by a score of 6 to 0. In the evening the defeated club played with the Gallaudets, and won by the score of 3 to 2.

The hearing boys of Hartford came to see if they could do up the Gallaudets on Saturday evening, Nov. 9th, but went home badly beaten by the score of 15 to 3. They were engaged to play the Washingtons on Saturday evening, the 16th inst., but failed to put in an appearance. So the Gallaudets and Clercs played instead.

Provoncha ls getting to be a good back-stop at goal for the Gallaudets. In a few weeks we expect to have some good game with the city boys.

Clouthier is a hustler with the stick. During the game on the 16th, he took every rush.

Clouthier, Ryan and J. Culver, played a fine passing game.

The Gallaudets and Clercs wore their new uniforms. The former had on black knit jerseys, and the latter sported red knotted suits.

There is some talk of which club will be the champions, but the Gallaudets have the best chances. Last October they held a meeting and elected Acheson as Captain of the Gallaudets, and Hine of the Clercs. Bishop is the Captain of the Washingtons. This club will soon be uniformed. Fred Rock is manager of these clubs, and gives satisfaction, and Harry Lewis takes care of the clubs' books.

AMERICAN ASYLUM.

RHODE ISLAND.

The reporter not long ago accosted Charles Steere and wife, of Providence, who had just returned from a pilgrimage to the cemetery in Pawtucket. The good deacon informed him with no little earnestness he had corresponded with one prominent mute of each State in New England, one more mute to become a member, to make up seven of the secret society, "Seven Stars," as he calls it, and that they had signified their acceptance. They have pledged not to divulge anything, or who they are, beyond that a general good time would be enjoyed down in Maine next summer for a month without paying expenses, including camping, fishing, moose and bear hunting, etc. The conversation with several other friends elicited the fact that the supreme Star (?) has been saying so for the past fifteen years. Should it ever come to a conclusion, it might be the meeting of the wise men to devise means for the spiritual welfare of wicked mutes in New England.

W. A. Jackson is expected to lecture in Boston this month. His subject will be "Mistakes."

Charles W. Mowry owns a fine farm of about 200 acres. He was born in the house, where he now resides, and except two years at Willimantic, Conn., has always remained there. He is still a hale and hearty farmer, on whom Time seems to have forgotten to put the marks of age, for he looks no older than ten years ago, although his birthday anniversaries number over sixty-three. The Mowrys are noted for longevity.

For the Deaf and Dumb.

THE INSTITUTE NOW BEING ERECTED FOR THE TEACHING OF THE PROVINCE'S DEAF AND DUMB.

(*From the Manitoba Free Press, Oct. 26.*)

The building to be known as the Provincial Deaf and Dumb Institute, which occupies a sightly position on Portage Avenue, near the Infantry School, is rapidly nearing completion. Owing to the late day on which work was begun, the progress has been rather retarded, but if fine weather continues, the building will be enclosed next week.

It is built of white brick with Selkirk stone dressings and sills. In all it consists of two stories, with attic and basement, surrounded by a tower. The front entrance faces on Portage Avenue. Three others are on the sides and one at the back opening into the boiler-room. In the basement will be kitchen, pupils' dining-room, boiler-room, laundry, servants' dining and sitting-rooms, boys' play-room, store rooms, principal's dining-room, lavatory, and bath room. The ground floor is reached by two pair of stairs which introduce one into the main hall. On the left of this hall are public parlor, matron's bed-room and sitting room. On the right principal's office and private room. On this floor also are two commodious school rooms, chapel and closets.

The first floor will be apportioned as follows: Two dormitories, one for boys and the other for girls, two bath rooms, closets, rooms for attendants and sewing room. From this floor entrance is obtained through a glass door to a loggia in front of the building. In the attic will be a dormitory each for the larger boys and girls, sick wards for each sex with adjoining rooms for nurses, trunk room, industrial room, bath rooms and closets. All halls will be laid with hardwood flooring and some of the rooms grained a dark shade. A hot water system will be put in for heating purposes, and it is expected that electric light will be used. The building is tasteful in design and substanial and reflects credit upon the architect, Mr. C. H. Wheeler. It is expected it will be ready for occupancy about February next.

The object of the institution is twofold. While educating these deaf children, practical trades by which they may, if they wish, gain a livelihood upon leaving the institution, are taught. Training mind and hand at the same time has been found to be most beneficial for their development. Shoemaking, tailoring, carpentering or wicker work will be learned by the boys, dressmaking, sewing and fancy work or cooking by the girls.

Owing sometimes to sentimental or selfish feelings, the parents of deaf children are loath to part with them for the purpose of sending them to an institution. To meet any such cases, Principal Watson hopes that at the coming session of the Legislature a law calling for the compulsory education of the deaf and dumb be enacted. Such a law is in force in Sweden and other countries, and if it be a means of gathering of these children, who by mercenary or other motives their parents are deprived of the benefits of the institution can confer, it is considered that it would be well to have such a compulsory law that will apply successfully in Manitoba.

North Branch, N. H.

A few weeks ago, Arthur Kellom, of Hillsboro Bridge, N. H., and Mitchell Swett, of Bennington, spent the Sabbath with Almos Smith, of New Boston, reporting a fine time, as every one does who visits him.

On the 25th of October, Mr. Smith and Mrs. Fish attended the Celebration at Peterboro, N. H. From that place they went to J. G. Wilkins', and spent the night, returning home the next day.

Messrs. Bowden, Poland and Mackintosh visited Mr. Smith a short time ago. Mr. Bowden bought eight barrels of apples, Mr. Smith also sent six barrels to Mr. Converse, of Winchendon, Mass. It must be his apples that "take the cake."

Last week, Mr. and Mrs. Wilkins went to New Boston, and on their way came to a railroad track, which they had to cross. Fearing it might be train-time, stopped and were looking at the watch, when the cars rolled swiftly by. Had they not stopped, they would have been hurled into eternity.

Messrs. Owen, Ellis and Kellom, of Hillsboro Bridge, spent last Sunday with J. G. Wilkins and family.

Charles Partington, a deaf-mute who recently came from England, is living at North Adams, Mass.

ROME.

The "Lit" Election.

MATRIMONIAL.

Et Ceteras.

The number of marriages among the graduates of our school is quite remarkable. There are several reasons for this aside from the exceptional advantages they enjoy in our institution. The girls are well drilled in the duties of housekeeping and are usually expert at sewing; the boys are equipped with a good start as paid apprentices in any first class shop where they can, if they try, soon become journeymen. A great number are from the farming communities and know how to run a farm and make it pay. Most of them, too, show a practical and thrifty disposition, which the city boys often lack.

The latest event of the kind was the nuptials of Miss D'Etta Livermore, of Solsville, and Mr. Charles E. Card, of Earlville, Madison Co., the first one of our former pupils, and the latter a graduate of Fanwood, and now a prosperous farmer. Prof. E. B. Nelson assisted at the marrying, and took care that the knot was tied taut and trim, as is his wont.

In our own city, Cupid is a hustler. A certain young baker and another of our young lady graduates are reported to be about to make a try at the matrimonial conundrum. Another young mechanic is reported to have popped the question, with good luck, and later on we may be permitted to go further into particulars. Another young deaf-mnte, who wields the plane and hammer, has, it is said, been seen anxiously scanning the horizon for a helpmeet. In this case, the deaf population will probably gain one of the gentler sex, but this may be offset by the loss of another gentle one, who, it is rumored, has smitten the heart of a young Lochinvar who lives about two hundred and sixty miles from here in an easterly direction. Of course, when matters are in such a delicate condition, the scribe cannot name the names of these bashful Ichabods and Katrinas, lest the cold stare of the public should scare them and disconcert Cupid, who loves not to have the cold-blooded eye light upon his airy costume. Instead, let us wait.

Election Day is past, and the agony of the candidates is over. This applies to our "Lit" as well as to State Elections. Ours came off on Saturday evening, November 2d, and notwithstanding the warring elements, a very full vote was polled. Counsellor Nelson presided and saw that the will of the majority prevailed in every instance. The retiring officers made their reports, that of the treasurer being most interesting, showing, as it did, that the association possessed a snug balance of $204.28.

In the election that followed, John Thomas was elected President; Miss Cora Shutts, Vice-President; Clarence Boxley, Secretary; Mr. Seliney, Treasurer; and Miss Ella Randall, Messrs. Jewell and Eddy, Directors. There was no real contest on any of the officers, except secretary. The battle of the ballot was on this, but Master Boxley came out ahead with a good margin, getting 55 votes to his competitor, Daniel Carpenter's 26. As to the treasurership, our ambitious little institution paper tries to overwhelm the successful candidate with honor by announcing that "the re-election of Mr. Seliney was *made unanimous by acclamation*," (the italics are ours. Better "roast" or "fire" your proof reader, brother.)

Mr. Edward C. Benedict, who has been so long and dangerously ill at the residence of his son, Prof. Benedict, is now so much improved that he can walk or ride out. Both he and his wife were former pupils of Dr. Gallaudet, when he was a teacher at New York, and they were surprised and pleased by a call from their beloved old teacher when he stopped in Rome. He remembers Mr. Benedict's individual sign to this day, and inquired for him by it. To us, there is something affecting in the meeting of an old teacher with an appreciative pupil, after the lapse of thirty or forty years. It recalls to one those lines of Dante, on his meeting the wraith of Virgil in the land of the hereafter.

Mr. Eddy has added to his other duties the teaching of a little black spaniel puppy in the ways he should go. Not much progress has been made so far.

Our boys have caught the football fever, and eagerly scan the accounts of the battles between the intercollegiate elevens. It is a pity that there is no eleven in this vicinity to practice with.

J. H. E.

ROME, November 12, '89.

BROOKLYN SOCIETY'S LECTURES

The following named gentlemen will deliver lectures at the hall of the Brooklyn Society of Deaf-Mutes (Tuttle Hall) 198 Grand Street, Brooklyn, N. Y.
December 18.—Mr. Chas. W. Van Tassell.

The transaction of business by members, story-telling, debates and lectures, takes place each week alternately. Admission, ten cents on each occasion.

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Rain Postpones the Cross Country Race.

(From our Fanwood Correspondent.)

There was a debate in the chapel Saturday evening last, on the question: "Can women succeed in professional pursuits equally with men?" Frank Turner and John Hogan were in favor of the affirmative side, while R. E. Maynard and Gibson McConnell upheld the negative side. It waxed pretty warm, finally terminating in favor of the negative, with only one more point than the former. W. Coombs then recited "Barbara Frietchie," and did very well.

Our pupils were tickled nearly to death to see the rooster crown Fanwood column last week, and hope to see it there again.

The once mighty Jam Club is no more. It may not be dead, but it does not enjoy active life. The members are scattered far and near, and that the club liveth in the hearts of its members, is beyond doubt. Its president is teaching art in the South Carolina Institution; its Vice-President holds a similar position in the State Deaf and Dumb Institution of New Jersey, and its secretary is teaching the "young idea how to shoot" in the Arkansas Institution at Little Rock. There were four directors, all of whom except one are within easy reach of each other and in the vicinity of New York. One is still a pupil, whose intellectual rays outshine her classmates and who may graduate next June with blushing honors. "Chip" used to write funny stories of this club, and it has been some time since he put down his pen. With his exit, so ceased the further usefulness of the club and its light went out like a candle, but not until it had gained considerable popularity. Since then another organization has sprung up, called the "I. M. C.," and who, unlike the Jam Club, it is of a literary character, and while they try to improve their mental faculties, they are not at all averse to having a "gay" time now and then. For some time past, there have been mysterious meetings, secret pass-words, by this most enterprising circle, and true to the saying, "coming events cast their shadow before," it is now known that they will give an entertainment in their sitting room next Saturday evening, and that an admission of fifteen and twenty-five cents will be charged. Of course this does not mean to say that the whole deaf-mute population is invited to the play, but they do not object to having a few of their friends present, provided they help swell the coffers of the club. Later on, if their efforts turn out to be anything like a success, they contemplate repeating it in the chapel on a more elaborate scale, and invite the two thousand and more deaf-mutes in and around New York City to test the holding capacity of the chapel.

Prof. Fox was handsomely remembered by his pupils on his birthday, November 15th, with a nice present and a neat address prepared by one of his pupils in behalf of the class, which we give herewith. It explains in what esteem he is regarded by his pupils. It is as follows:

DEAR SIR:—We are gathered together in our schoolroom this morning to offer to you our earnest congratulations upon the twenty-ninth anniversary of your birthday. We wish you to know that we are grateful to you for your labor in making us improve in the English language and our other studies, which you always explain so clearly to us.

Last month, at the regular meeting of the Reynard Club, it was suggested that we should contribute some money towards the purchase of a suitable token to you, which suggestion was approved by all. We know that you are an excellent teacher, and since you have taught us, the First Grammar class, you have shown superior talent in the profession of teaching. We all feel a strong attachment to you, because you are a good teacher, and are fond of sporting games,—football, baseball, etc., which you encourage us to play.

Therefore, to show that we fully appreciate all your kindness to us, we present you with this useful gift, which will serve as a reminder of our gratitude and love. We hope your life may be as happy as your friendship has made us during our school days.

FROM YOUR SINCERE PUPILS.

We are sorry to learn that Mr. Anthony Capelli, of the class of '84, is laid up with a bad case of lead poisoning which, had it not been checked in time, would have resulted in the probable amputation of his right arm. About four weeks ago, he received a slight cut on the thumb, and not knowing there would be any serious outcome, went to work as usual in the printing establishment of Wynkook & Hallenbeck. At the end of the week, the thumb had swollen so much and became so painful that he had to quit work and see the doctor. At present the thumb is getting well, and he wishes it known that it has been from the above reason that he has not attended to his correspondence.

This beautiful weather has tempted many of the Institution people to the theatres. A theatre party is talked of for next week. "Old Homestead," at the Academy of Music may be the attraction.

On account of the heavy rain on Tuesday, the 19th, Harvey Prindle Peet's birthday was only partially celebrated. A half holiday will be given the pupils the first pleasant day when there will be a cross country race for the "Championship Banner" of the Institution. Details in full next week.

AQUILA.

MALONE, N. Y.

The second auunal election of officers of the Adirondack Literary Association, composed of teachers and pupils of the Northern New York Institution, took place in the chapel last Friday evening, about sixty-five members being present.

Shortly after seven, Superintendent Rider called the meeting to order, and after a few words of advice, the transaction of some routine business, appointed Madore Jolevette, Jr., Martin Burns and Celinda Bailey to act as tellers, and then the balloting began with the following result: President, Mr. George L. Reynolds; Vice President, Miss Mary Semple: Secretary, Charles H. Potts; Treasurer, Thomas Scanlon; Reader, Prof. Alphonso Johnson; Committee on lectures and debates, Libbie Hill, Edwards C. Lortie and Erederick Santiman.

Next Eriday evening, a debate will take place before the "Lit," the question being "Which is most healthly, riding or walking?" As some of the most intelligent members have been assigned to take part in the discussion, a lively time is expected.

Last Sunday was balmy and most delightful. In the afternoon, after chapel, the pupils, under the guidance of Superintendent Rider, went over to look at the new institution buildings. The main one was found to be rapidly approaching completion, so that it will possibly be ready for occupancy about the first of the new year. The grading of the ground is going on at a rapid rate, a large number of men and teams being employed daily, so that as much outdoor work as possible can be finished before intense cold weather sets in. The new laundry and shop building is also under good headway, and will be finished about the same time as the school building. Then the trades now taught will not be cramped for room as at present, more pupils will have an opportunity to learn something about them, and new trades, such as printing, cabinet making, and perhaps book binding, will be gradually added.

After looking at things for a time, a wish was expressed to visit the reservoir, located on a high hill somewhat over a mile distant. Permission being given, all went, and were well rewarded by a magnificent view of the surrounding country and the Adirondack Mountains. Returning, it could not but be noticed that the pupils had enjoyed their short jaunt immensely; their eyes sparkled, and their faces glowed with health and happiness.

For several days past, "Indian Summer" has been enjoyed to the uttermost by us poor mortals in this part of the State, and it causes us much pain to read in the papers of the beastly kind of weather vouchsafed to the denizens of Brooklyn and New York. They have our sympathy.

Onr new Institution buildings are well secured against fire, the pipes from the reservoir which supplies the town with water being laid but a short distance away. The Institution fire apparatus will be able to to command a full headway of water at any time, which will enable it to throw a powerful stream completely over and into all of the buildings.

Visitors of late have been quite numerous. Probably the delightful weather we have been having had something to do with the influx of strangers at this time of the year. Among others was Miss Katie Howard, a deaf young lady from Vermont, who came accompanied by several of her relatives and friends, residents of Malone. Miss Howard was formerly a pupil of the Whipple School in Connecticut. It is likely she will become a pupil of this Institution, as her friends have a high opinion of its management.

Henry Needham, a deaf-mute, at one time well known in the Central and Northern part of this State, died in the Franklin County Alms House last Saturday morning. He was a man of considerable intelligence, a cabinet and pianomaker by trade, and was graduated from the Institution, at Hartford, many years ago. Our Superintendent had him admittrd to the "Gallaudet Home" sometime ago, but for various reasons, he did not remain there long. Mr. Needham, at the time of his death, was about sixty-three years of ago.

BOZ.

Nov. 14, '89.

Port Oram, N. J.

Peter E. Matthews and his mother arrived here on Sunday, two weeks ago.

Chas. L. McManus and Peter E. Matthews were in Newark, last Saturday night. The latter invested some money in a hunting coat and rubber boots. Tne next day they visited many of their Jersey City friends.

On Thanksgiving day, Mr. Daniel J. Ward and A. Sibitzsky will come up this way, and with Chas. McManus and William Sleep will form a hunting party. Mr. Sleep killed twenty-nine rabbits on the first of this month. On the same day there will be a clay pigeon match between C. E. McManus and P. Matthews, for the deaf-mute championship of New Jersey.

Rev. Dr. Gallaudet's Appointment.

Buffalo.—Friday evening, November 22d. Usual place of meeting for deaf-mutes.

Palmyra.—Sunday, 3 P.M., November 24th.

Zion Church.—Sign-service.

THE CHURCH MISSION TO DEAF-MUTES.

The Annual Meeting of this society will be held in the Guild Room of St. Ann's Church, N. Y., on Monday, November 25th at 8 P.M. Deaf-mutes and their friends are invited to attend.

THANKSGIVING DAY, NOVEMBER 28th.

The service in St. Ann's Church, N. Y., at 8 and 10:30 A.M., and 5 P.M., will be interpreted for deaf-mutes.

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ALL SOULS' WORKING PEOPLE'S CLUB AND CLERC LITERARY ASSOCIATION, OF PHILADELPHIA, PA.

This club, organized on September 22d, 1865, and reorganized, November 28th, 1888, is entirely non-sectarian, and any deaf person over eighteen years of age may join it by agreeing to pay a small sum of money monthly for its support. The purpose of the club is to supplement the instruction received while at school by a course of lectures and other literary exercises, and the provision of reading matter of a suitable character. In addition, harmless and rational amusements are provided. The club has the use of the guild rooms in All Souls' Church for the Deaf, Franklin Street, above Green. The officers of the club are: Rev. Henry Winter Syle (*Ex-officio* Chairman), 2142 Mt. Vernon Street; Rev. J. M. Koehler Vice-Chairman; S. G. Davidson (President), Pennsylvania Institution for the Deaf and Dumb; Miss A. B. Boyer, First Vice-President; Harry E. Stevens, Second Vice-President; J. S. Reider, Secretary and Treasurer, whose address is No. 1508 Summer Street; Miss I. B. Brooks, Assistant Secretay; Wm. G. Harrison and Wm. A. Miles, Sergeants-at-Arms. The club rooms are open on Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday evenings.

BROOKLYN SOCIETY OF DEAF-MUTES.

The Brooklyn Society of Deaf-Mutes meets every Wednesday evening, at 7:15 o'clock, at Tuttle Hall, 198 Grand St., Brooklyn' N. Y. The officers of the Society are: President, Henry Stengele; First Vice-President, George M. Taggard; Second ice-President, Julius Wollman; Secretary, Charles E. Green; Treasurer, Thomas Godfrey; and Ser-geant-at-Arms, Alexander McIlwraith. All communications should be addressed to the Secretary, Chas. E. Green, 141 Wilson Street, Brooklyn, N. Y.

CALIFORNIA ASSOCIATION.

This association is a branch of the Y. M. C. A., of San Francisco. President, Theodore Grady; Vice-President, Moses I. Aronson; Secretary, Wm. H. Winslow; Treasurer, Henry J. McCoy; Librarian, Frank B. Shattuck. Divine services first and third Sundays in each month, alternate at 11 A.M. Regular business meetings, first Thursday in each month. Address all communications to the Secretary, Wm. H. Winslow, 232 Sutter St., San Francisco, Cal.

CHARITABLE RELIEF SOCIETY, OF BOSTON.

The purpose of the Society is principally social improvement, and to help the needy of our class. Meeting, are held the first Wednesday of each month, at Alpha Hall No. 18 Essex Street. The officers for 1889 are: President, Mrs. Frank C. Davis; Vice-President, Mrs. George A. Holmes; Secretary, Miss Louisa Carton; Treasurer, Mrs. Frank W. Bigelow; Executive Committee, Mrs. Rhoda Barnard, Mrs. P. R. Blanchard, Mrs. Hattie Wheeler. Communications are to be addressed to the Secretary, whose address is 86 Court Street, Boston, Mass.

CINCINNATI SOCIETY.

The Anderson Society dates its organization from 1879, and has for its objects the *mutual improvement* and *social enjoyment* of its members and their friends in general. It holds meetings in Anderson Hall, No. 192 West Fifth Street, every Saturday at eight o'clock P.M., excepting the business meeting specified on the fourth Saturday of each month. John Barrick is President, and Charles H. Thomas, Secretary. Address of Secretary is 406 Sycamore Street, Cincinnati, O.

DEAF-MUTES' UNION LEAGUE OF NEW YORK CITY.

This organization is one formed for the purpose of bringing into closer intercourse, the former students of the Institution for the Improved Instruction of Deaf-Mutes of the City of New York, and to disseminate such views as will tend to their welfare. It meets twice a month, and the President is Mr. Samuel Frankenheim. Communications are to be addressed to the Secretary, Joseph Yankauer, 327 East 4th St., New York City.

EASTON ASSOCIATION.

Meets every Thursday evening at 220 North Third Street, below Bushkill Street, at 7:30 P.M. Its object is of a diversfied character and covers a wide scope. Visitors always cordially welcomed. Elam Will, President, 208 Ferry Street; C. Delory, Vice-President; Samuel Price, Treasurer; Alex L. Pach, Secretary. Address, 220 North Third Street, Easton, Pa. Residence, 122 McCartney Street.

GALLAUDET SOCIETY, OF BOSTON.

The Gallaudet Society for Deaf-Mutes (formerly the "Cambridge Society") holds services in the basement of the Church of the Good Shepherd, Cortes St., Boston, every Sunday, at 10:45 A.M. Rev. Dr. Gallaudet's clergymen appear on the first and third Sundays of each month. All are welcome. Literary exercises once a month. Lectures, social gatherings, etc., occasionally. The officers for 1889 are: E. W. Frisbee, President; Robert Dockharty, Vice-President; Fred. H. Stover, Secretary; E. Duran, Treasurer; and Pelham Creamer, Librarian. Communications are to be addressed to the Secretary, Cortez Street, Boston, care of Church of the Good Shepherd.

GRANITE STATE MISSION.

The Granite State Deaf-Mute Mission meets every year in different parts of New Hampshire, and elects its officers every other year. The object of the mission is to promote the moral welfare of the mute community in the State. The officers are as follows:—Willie E. White, President, 35 Arlington St., Nashua; Varnum B. Wright, Secretary, Nashua; Willie A. Deering, Treasurer, Pittsfield.

HOBOKEN DEAF-MUTE CLUB.

The object of this club is to promote the Social entercourse of its members. Meetings are held regularly every Saturdays, at 336 Washington Street. Strangers are always welcome. Mr. Albert Ballin is President. Communications should be addressed to Anthony Capelli, Secretary, 102 River Street, Hokoken, N. J.

THE MANHATTAN LITERARY ASSOCIATION, OF NEW YORK CITY.

The Manhattan Literary Association meets every Thursday evening at 8 P.M., in the basement of St. Ann's Church for Deaf-Mutes, West 18th St., near 5th Avenue. Its regular business meetings are held every first Thursday of each month, debates every second, and lectures every third. Its object is to improve the moral, intellectual, and social welfare of its members. Its officers are: Anthony Capelli, President; S. P. Cornelius, Vice-President; Chas. J. LeClercq, Secretary; Emil Basch, Treasurer; J. C. Underwood, Sergeant-at-arms. All correspondence should be addressed to the Secretary, at 336 West 41st Street, N. Y. City.

PAS-A-PAS CLUB, OF CHICAGO.

The Pas-a-Pas Club is an organization of Chicago Deaf-Mutes effected with the object of dispensing intellectnal improvement and moral amusement to its members and their friends. Its motto is, Pas-a-Pas—"step by step." The officers are: C. C. Codman; President; J. K. Watson, Vice-President; J. J. Kleinhans, Secretary and Treasurer. Secretary's address is 853 N. Clark St.

ST. LOUIS DEAF-MUTE CLUB.

The St. Louis Deaf-Mute Club holds its meeting at 919 Olive Street, Room 12, 3d floor, in the Empire Building. Regular business meeting on the second Thursday in each month, for business only. The purposes of the club are principally of a social nature, but the literary advancements of St. Louis ladies and gentlemen will not be neglected. Lectures will be announced by the President from time to time, and all are welcomed on such occasions. Strangers in town are cordially invited to drop in at any time of the day, and make themselves at home. Officers: President, William Stafford; Vice-President, W. E. Guss; Secretary, Louis Jacoby; Treasurer, Leo. Froning; Sergeant-at-Arms, Chas. Hein; Trustees, Chas. Wolff and George T. Dougherty. Secretary's address is No. 915 Franklin Avenue.

THE EPHPHATHA CLUB, OF BOSTON.

The Ephphatha Club was organized during the month of October, 1886, for the purpose of promoting the social relations of the deaf-mutes. Any outside deaf-mutes can join the club by applying to the Secretary. Those who live fifteen or more miles from Boston, can be admitted as visitors by applying to the President or any friend who is a member. The officers are as follows: W. H. Krause, President; Robert Dockharty, Vice-President; John F. French, Secretary; John J. McNeil, Treasurer; Geo. C. Sawyer, Harry Jordan, Henry Jellison, Executive Comtnittee. The Secretary's address is Ephphatha Club, 18 Essex Street.

THE NEW ENGLAND GALLAUDET ASSOCIATION OF DEAF-MUTES.

The New England Gallaudet Association of Deaf-Mutes, named in honor of Thomas H. Gallaudet, is now officered by Oscar Kinsman, of Providence, R. I., President; John T. Keefe, of Bellows Falls, Vt., Vice-President; Geo. C. Sawyer, of Chelsea, Mass., Secretary; Levi A. Lester, of Providence, R. I., Treasurer. State Directors: For Massachusetts, John T. Tillinghast, of New Bedford, Mass.; for New Hampshire, W. E. White, of Bennington, N. H.; for Maine, Hiram P. Hunt, of Gray, Me.; for Vermont, W. B. Streeter, of Bellows Falls, Vt.; for Rhode Island, John F. Donnelly, of Woonsocket, R. I. For any information, write to the Secretary, 36 Orange St., Chelsea, Mass., with stamp enclosed for reply.

THE BAY STATE CHRISTIAN MISSION.

This Mission is for the intellectual, moral, and religious welfare of deaf-mutes in those places where their numbers make it advisable; to encourage the formation of Union Societies, for the mutual benefit of all, in their respective localities; to interest all friends of humanity and Christianity in their behalf; to assist in giving extra services to such local Union Societies, which are in need of more services than they can maintain themselves; to offer an additional or extended help to any independent local society, with their co-operation; to strengthen the ties of Christian and ministerial brotherhood; and to discuss subjects pertaining to sacred ministry. The officers are E. W. Frisbee, President; Wm. Bailey, Treasurer; and A. C. Hargrave and H. P. Chapman, Executive Committee.

THE CHICAGO DEAF-MUTE SOCIETY.

The Chicago Deaf-Mute Society was organized in the month of September, 1878, for the purpose of promoting the moral welfare of the mute community. Meetings are held on the first Saturday of each month at residences of its members. The officers are as follows: James Gibney, President; Sam Norris, Treasurer; Edward Holmes, Secretary. The secretary's address is 381 Centre Street.

GERMAN CHARITY SOCIETY.

Meets at Henak Kafe House, Cor. Houston St., and Second Ave., New York City. President, Geo. Lindmann, 220 E. 82d St.; Secretary, S. Werner, 61 E. 4th St.

THE NEW JERSEY LITERARY ASSOCIATION.

Meets every two weeks, Thursday evening, at 8 sharp, in the Rector Street Chapel, in Rector Street near Park Street. The officers of the Association are: President, C. L. Jastram; Vice-President, Louis Brede; Sec'y and Treas., F. W. Sibitzky; Sergeant-at-Arms, Thomas Stewart. All communications should be addressed to the Secretary, F. W. Sibitzky, No. 363 New St., Newark, N. J.

THE TROY LITERARY SOCIETY.

The society holds its meetings every Saturday evening at 7:30 P.M., in the Guild room of St. Paul's Church, cor. 3d and State Streets. Its regular meeting for ladies and gentlemen is every other Saturday evening. The object is the moral improvement of its members by lectures, debates and story telling. The officers of the society are President, J. L. Conners; Vice-President, H. H. Brown; Secretary, J. S. Kenney; Treasurer, J. C. Ritter, and Sergeant-at-Arms, H. Burt. It has also a Bible Class which meets in the Guild room every Sunday at 3 o'clock, P.M., under the leadership of its chairman. All the deaf-mutes and strangers in town and its vicinity are invited to drop in at the Bible Class and regular meetings. The Secretary's address is 3.3 Second Avenue, West Troy, N. Y.

THE KANSAS CITY DEAF-MUTE LITERARY AND DEBATING SOCIETY.

The Kansas City Deaf-Mute Literary and Debating Society hold their meetings every second Saturday, at residences of its members. The object of the society is to promote the moral welfare of the mute community. The officers are John R. Laughlin, President; Edward Paxton, Vice-President; Mrs. Annie Greeley, second Vice-President; Joseph A. Markbury, Treasurer; Peter Weare, Secretary. All strangers of good behavior are invited to attend. Address all communications to John R. Laughlin, 1715 Campbell Street, Kansas City, Mo.

WESTERN PENNA PRAYER MEETING OF PITTSBURGH.

The Deaf-Mute Prayer Meeting meets every Thursday evening at 7:30 P.M., in the Young Men's Christian Association, on Sixth Avenue near Wood Street. The deaf-mutes also hold Sabbath meetings in the Reformed Presbyterian Church, on 8th street near Duquenna Way St., every Sunday afternoon at two o'clock. Strangers and deaf-mutes in general are cordially invited. All communications relating to the Young Men's Christian Association should be sent to the Committee, H. H. B. McMaster, No. 58 Pride St., Pittsburgh, Pa.

THE SALEM SOCIETY.

The Salem Society of Deaf-Mutes is an unsectarian society, organized in Sept. 23, 1874, and occupies a whole building of four rooms, No. 2 rear of Mansfield Block. Divine services, every Sunday, and prayer meeting, every Friday evenings. The members are at liberty to use it at any time (day or evening) in the week for reading, etc. The officers of the Society for 1888 are Hardy P. Chapman, President; Mrs. Persis S. Bowden, Secretary; Henry A. Chapman, Treasurer; and Samuel Hamilton, and George Strout, Directors.

THE SICARD CATHOLIC SSOCIATION.

The object of this Association is the spiritual and temporal welfare of its members. The members meet in the basement of the Cathredal, Washington Street, at 4 o'clock P.M., every Sunday. This Association, being a branch of the De l'Epee C. D. M. A., has the same rules, and gives the same advantages. All welcome. Communications shouldbe addressed to Mr. J. J. McNeil, President *pro tem*, Commercial Street, Dorchester, Mass

TOUSLEY SOCIETY OF DEA-FMUTES.

The Tousley Society meets every Sunday at 10.30 A.M., at 70 East Seventh Street. Its object is to promote the moral welfare of the mute community. The officers are De Witt Toulsey, President; Matthew McCook, Secretary; Fred Brant, Treasurer. Business meetings or lectures and story telling, may be held on any week evening by a vote. Deaf-mute stranges of good habits in general are cordially invited to make themselves at home. The Secretary's address is 70 East 7th Street, St. Paul, Minn.

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